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Tribes will help personalize cultural center, museum

By Dana Attocknie, Managing Editor

A crane dangles a steel beam through a cloudy Oklahoma sky and into the outreached arms of a construction worker perched on top of the steel frame of what will be the American Indian Cultural Center and Museum (AICCM) in Oklahoma City.

"It's projected to open in five years," Nathan Hart, AICCM director of community affairs, said. "So much needs to be done to bring in exhibits."

Hart, Cheyenne, said spring 2015 is the projected opening time, but there may be a soft opening in fall 2014 to bring in school groups for tours or they may have another traveling exhibit like the one in 2007 titled *Art from Indian Territory 2007: the state of being American Indian*. Right now, the site is not ready and safe to be open to the public with ongoing construction. However, the visitor center building is complete and its lobby is currently being converted into a studio so OklaTravelnet.com can begin broadcasting live from there in October. OklaTravelnet.com is Oklahoma's online travel channel that features live news shows each day. The program currently broadcasts from Riverwind Casino in Norman, Okla. The program will be moved from the AICCM visitor center lobby to the main building once it is built.

Along with studio renovations on Sept. 16, 2009, the center was alive with talk of the future. Gena Timberman, AICCM executive director, Russ Tall Chief, AICCM director of arts and exhibitions, and staff met with the father and son team, Bill and Demos Glass.

"As a result of all the hard work of Oklahoma Native Artists, Art in Public Places and the AICCM Division of Arts and Exhibitions, our community will look forward to seeing the AICCM's inaugural public art piece grace our site," Timberman stated in *American Indian Horizon's* magazine. "This special piece created by Cherokee artists Bill and Demos Glass will represent the first of many ways in which Native (American) art will be beautifully incorporated throughout the project and the site."

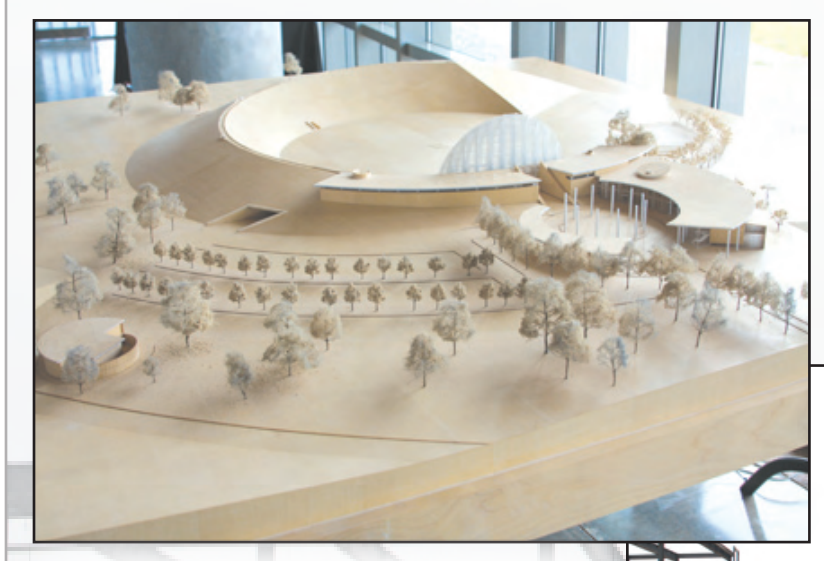
Hart said it's exciting to sprinkle the project with as much Native American art as possible. In addition to the art, language and history going into the cultural center, the 250 acres on the site will soon be home to a hotel, conference center and retail shop where art could be sold. A café in the center and possibly some restaurants that feature indigenous foods are some ideas as well as a large outdoor park in back of the center with a walking trail and sculptures, and possibly a large outdoor arena/amphitheatre and an online database to Honor an Ancestor.

Hart said the, "Ideal goal is to have everything open at the same time." He said being involved with creating the AICCM is fun, and he goes out to the site almost every day.

"The American Indian Cultural Center and Museum has had an incredibly busy and productive year and our accomplishments exceeded our challenges as we moved the project further on this special journey," Timberman stated. "This year, a tremendous amount of time was spent on tribal outreach, as we completed an extremely time-consuming and labor intensive phased consultation goal to meet with Oklahoma's tribes during the present phase to gather the necessary input to advance project design and program development."

Hart said the outreach team met with the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes education department, since the Culture and Heritage program falls under their reign, and he has been working with Gordon Yellowman on content and stories.

"We want recommendations to come from (the) tribes," Hart said. "What we're excited about is, tribes will be making the selection of objects. Everything that's represented from the tribes is coming from the tribes. Having tribal consultation is our No. 1 priority; that's what makes it authentic."



Photos by Dana Attocknie

Top: A model of what the American Indian Cultural Center and Museum will look like.

Right: Nathan Hart describes what visitors will see once construction is complete.

One recommendation concerns the east gate where the concrete slopes up. He said tribal consultants want them to consider recycling bricks from old Indian schools and extend their use by incorporating them into the wall. Hart carried a rock from the Segar Indian School that matched with the mock up of the east gate

Courtesy photo

Inside the construction area of Oklahoma's American Indian Cultural Center and Museum scheduled to open in spring 2015.

"It's such an important part of history," he said.

The center will have a Hall of the People, The Garden of the Beginning, Courtyard of the Wind, Children's Discover Center, Oral History Theater and more along with the exhibits and Smithsonian collections. A greeting in a tribal language is what the AICCM staff would like heard once people walk into the museum.

"Language is such a priority," Hart said. "Language is going to be a very important part and woven through the entire place."

Hart said the AICCM staff wants to continue consulting with Oklahoma's tribes even after the opening for input on ongoing projects.

"We don't want our dialogue (with tribes) to end when we open, we want it to continue," he said. "There's a broad range of possibilities."

Hart said some tribes want help in holding language classes at the center, even satellite classes where lessons can be streamed to cover a broad range of areas. Some tribes don't want their language out in public, and it's that type of direction that tribes will provide, he said.

"We're looking to have a representation of tribes that have been in Oklahoma," Hart said. "We don't want to limit it to federally recognized tribes; we're a cultural center. All (tribes) will be represented in some way at this cultural center. "

For example, Hart said, "We'll represent the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes of Oklahoma, we'll represent the Cheyenne culture and the Arapaho culture."

Helping to represent the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes of Oklahoma will be Dr. Henrietta Mann. Mann is the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal College president, and was recently appointed

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Contract Health Services 101

By Rosemary Stephens, Reporter/Graphic Artist

Denied.

What do people do and where do they turn for help when Contract Health Services (CHS) says no?

The answers to those questions and more were given during the Contract Health Services informational community meeting held Sept. 22, 2009 at the Rollin Haag Native American Church in Concho, Okla.

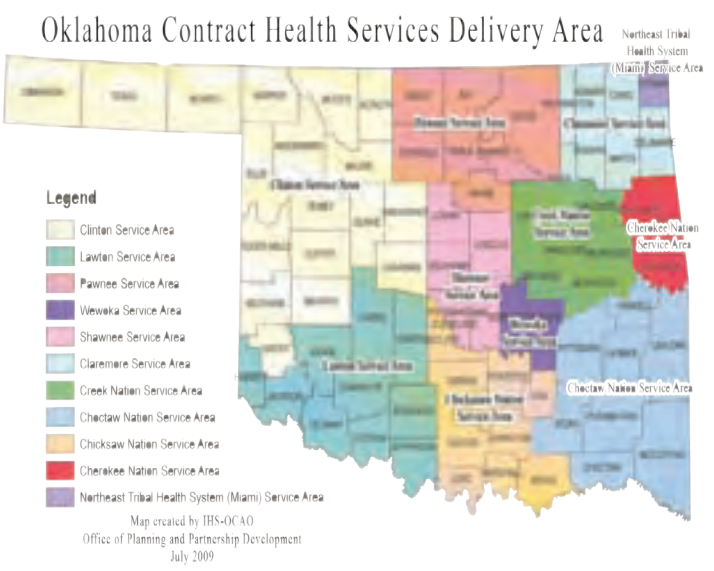
"We are here to help people understand the referral process, our services, and by doing so hopefully eliminate some of the denial letters people are receiving," Tracy George, Clinton Service Unit (CSU) director, said. "If you understand the process you will help yourself and us get those medical bills paid, and not have that worry on you on top of the medical problems."

CHS is health care purchased by the Indian Health Services (IHS) for eligible Native Americans from non-IHS health care providers and facilities for services not available through IHS. CHS funds are limited to services medically deemed necessary within the established IHS medical priorities list. The IHS medical priorities levels are, in order of priority, emergent/acutely urgent care services, acute primary and preventive care services, chronic primary and secondary care services, chronic tertiary (such as rehabilitation care, skilled nursing facilities, restorative orthopedic or plastic surgery) care service and excluded services. Some examples of excluded services on the medical priority list are cosmetic surgery, experimental procedures and extended nursing care homes. Each year the medical priorities list is reviewed for any changes in the definitions, categories, or excluded procedures list. The Office of Health Programs (OHP) distributes the new list to all areas.

Funding for CHS services is based on the population surrounding the facility and are appropriated by the U.S. Congress. The Department of Human Services (DHS) funnels the funds to the CHS facilities across Oklahoma at the beginning of each year.

There are 11 CHS service areas within Oklahoma (see map). They are the Clinton, Pawnee, Lawton, Shawnee, Wewoka, Chickasaw Nation, Choctaw Nation, Cherokee Nation and the Creek Nation service areas. Also the Claremore and Miami service areas. A complete list of Oklahoma CHS and IHS offices can be found on the Indian Health Service's Web site at www.ihs.gov.

"There are procedures and a process we have to follow in order to get a medical referral approved by the review committee for payment. At the Clinton Service Unit the committee meets every Wednesday to review all referrals we receive and we determine case by case which are medically necessary," Leslie Panana, CSU representative, said. "If a person gets a denial letter we encourage them to contact us immediately so we can get the appeals process started and try to get the problem worked out."



The referral process begins when a person requires medical care not available in an IHS facility. The referral must be written and approved before an appointment can be made. When the referral is received at the service unit, it is first determined if the patient lives within the service area of the CHS. It is logged into the system and placed on the list to be reviewed by the CHS committee to determine if the referral meets the federal medical priorities list. For instance, a referral for a patient to receive chemotherapy for cancer would be considered a medical necessity. However, a referral to a physical therapist for a broken arm would not be considered a medical necessity.

Emergency room visits are not considered a referral. These visits have to be reported within 72 hours to be considered for payment. If the pa-

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ANNUAL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

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At 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, 2009 at Concho Community Hall in Concho, Okla.

CANDIDATES

Revised

GOVERNOR / LT. GOV
Janice Bosewell / Leslie Wandrie
Teresa Dorsett / Chris Derenzo
Darrell Flyingman / Nelson Clark
Roberta Hamilton / Jane Tiger

ARAPAHO DISTRICT ONE LEGISLATOR
Jane Nightwalker
Scottie Sankey
Richard D. Williams

ARAPAHO DISTRICT TWO LEGISLATOR
Dale Hamilton
Michael Kodaseet
Christine Morton
Alvin Basil Pollock
Kendrick Sweezy
Michael K. Whitecloud

CHEYENNE DISTRICT TWO LEGISLATOR
Clifton Ellis
Rollin E. Hamilton
Marlin Hawk
Rachel Lynn
Malaina Tallbear

CHEYENNE DISTRICT FOUR LEGISLATOR
Pete Salinas
Fiona Whiteskunk

Revised primary, general election schedule

On Sept. 2, 2009 and Sept. 17, 2009, the Supreme Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes ordered that adjustments be made to the official ballot in the upcoming primary election.

The Supreme Court recognized that "vote counting will be delayed" due to the need to prepare new ballots, and to allow enough time for absentee voters to cast their ballots.

Oct. 6, 2009
PRIMARY ELECTION DAY—Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Oct. 14, 2009
Absentee Ballots must be returned by mail to the Concho, Okla. Post Office no later than 3 p.m. / Election Commission counts the ballots after the close of voting

Oct. 15, 2009
Preliminary results of the Primary Election are posted by 9 a.m.

Oct. 16, 2009
Deadline to file a request for a recount—No later than 9 a.m. (within 24 hours of the time the preliminary results of the Primary Election are posted) / Deadline to file written challenges to the preliminary results of the Primary Election—No later than 9 a.m.

Oct. 19, 2009
Deadline for the Election Commission to render a decision on any challenges filed to the preliminary results of the Primary Election—No later than 9 a.m.; Primary Elections are certified, and final results of the Primary Election are posted

Oct. 21, 2009
Deadline to mail out Absentee Ballots for the General Election to eligible voters

Nov. 3, 2009
GENERAL ELECTION DAY—Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Nov. 12, 2009
Absentee Ballots must be returned by mail to the Concho, Okla. Post Office no later than 3 p.m. / Election Commission counts the ballots after the close of voting

Nov. 13, 2009
Preliminary results of the General Election are posted by 9 a.m.

Nov. 14, 2009
Deadline to file a request for a recount—No later than 9 a.m. (Within 24 hours of the time the preliminary results of the General Election are posted) / Deadline to file written challenges to the General Election results—No later than 9 a.m.

Nov. 17, 2009
Deadline for the Election Commission to render a decision on any challenges filed to the preliminary results of the General Election—No later than 9 a.m.; General Election results are certified; and final results of the General Election are posted

Jan. 2, 2010
Oath of Office administered by a Justice of the Supreme Court to all newly elected officials

Results of special recall election

The results of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes special recall election held Sept. 16, 2009 for the Arapaho District 3 legislative seat held by Patrick Spottedwolf are as follows:

Remove	38.98 percent
Retain	61.02 percent
Voter participation	44.70 percent

Primary election polling sites

Each poll site will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Must show current, valid photo I.D.
No COPIES of photo I.D. accepted.

PRIMARY ELECTION - Oct. 6, 2009

The C-1 poll sites are: *Watonga Public Library in Watonga, *Longdale Community Center in Longdale and *Seiling Indian Community Center in Seiling.

The C-1 voters registered with a Watonga, Hitchcock, Fay or Oakwood address will vote at the Watonga poll site.

The C-1 voters registered with a Canton, Longdale, Southard or Okeene address will vote at the Longdale poll site.

The C-1 voters registered with a Seiling, Camargo, Vici or Arnett address will vote at the Seiling poll site.

The C-2 poll sites are: *Concho Community Building in Concho, *Geary Indian Community Building in Geary and *County Fairgrounds in Kingfisher.

The C-2 voters registered with an El Reno or Concho address will vote at the Concho poll site.

The C-2 voters registered with a Geary or Calumet address will vote at the Geary poll site.

The C-2 voters registered with an Okarche, Kingfisher or Loyal address will vote at the Kingfisher poll site.

The C-3 poll sites are: *Servants Heart Church in Weatherford, *Clinton Indian Hospital - Old W.I.C. Building in Clinton and *Thomas Senior Citizen Center in Thomas.

The C-3 voters registered with a Weatherford, Corn, or Colony address will vote at the Weatherford poll site.

The C-3 voters registered with a Clinton, Arapaho, Bessie, Rocky or Cordell address will vote at the Clinton poll site.

The C-3 voters registered with a Thomas, Custer City, Putnam or Taloga address will vote at the Thomas poll site.

The C-4 poll sites are: *Hammon Senior Citizen Center in Hammon and *Indian Baptist Church in Elk City.

The C-4 voters registered with a Hammon, Butler, Leedey, Cheyenne and Raydon address will vote at the Hammon poll site.

The C-4 voters registered to vote with an Elk City, Sayre, Carter, Canute, Burns Flat, Foss, Sweetwater and Dill City address will vote at the Elk City poll site.

The A-1 poll sites are: *Watonga Public Library in Watonga, *Canton Community Center in Canton and *Seiling Indian Community Center in Seiling.

The A-1 voters registered with a Watonga, Hitchcock, Fay or Oakwood address will vote at the Watonga poll site.

The A-1 voters registered with a Canton, Longdale, Southard or Okeene address will vote at the Canton poll site.

The A-1 voters registered with Seiling, Camargo, Vici, or Arnett address will vote at the Seiling poll site.

The A-2 poll sites are: *Concho Community Building in Concho, *Geary Indian Community Building in Geary and *County Fairgrounds in Kingfisher.

The A-2 voters registered with an El Reno or Concho address will vote at the Concho poll site.

The A-2 voters registered with a Geary or Calumet address will vote at the Geary poll site.

The A-2 voters registered with an Okarche, Kingfisher or Loyal address will vote at the Kingfisher poll site.

The A-3 poll sites are: *Servants Heart Church in Weatherford, and *Clinton Indian Hospital - Old W.I.C. Building in Clinton.

The A-3 voters registered with a Weatherford, Corn, Thomas, Custer City, Putnam, Taloga or Colony address will vote at the Weatherford poll site.

The A-3 voters registered with a Clinton, Arapaho, Bessie, Rocky or Cordell address will vote at the Clinton poll site.

The A-4 poll site is: *Indian Baptist Church in Elk City.

The A-4 voters registered with a Hammon, Butler, Leedey, Cheyenne, Raydon, Elk City, Sayre, Carter, Canute, Burns Flat, Foss, Sweetwater, and Dill City address will vote at the Elk City poll site.

Cheyenne, Arapaho tribes to develop new Feather Warrior Casino in Hammon, Okla.

Submitted article

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes are pleased to announce the development of a new gaming facility to be located in Hammon, Okla.

This new Feather Warrior Casino will consist of a four-plex modular building structure. The casino floor will consist of 120 state of the art games, deli and bar area, to get your on the go snacks and drinks. Not only will the casino boost the local economy by employing approximately 45-50 new people, but also it will give western Oklahoma a new exciting spot for entertainment. Construction will start when weather permits. The anticipated opening date will be mid-March 2010.

If you are interested in employment at Feather Warrior Casino Hammon, please contact Human Resources Department at Lucky Star Casino Clinton at (580) 331-6599. We are beginning the hiring process for prospective employees to allow adequate time for training and licensing of new casino employees.

This development is a joint venture between the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Economic Development Department and the Lucky Star/Feather Warrior Casinos.

WIA receives stimulus funding

Submitted article

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Workforce Investment Act (WIA) program has recently received additional federal funding through the U.S. Department of Labor. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 enacted by Congress and signed by President Barack Obama on Feb. 17, 2009 is an unprecedented effort to jumpstart our economy.

The funding received by WIA Section 166 Indian and Native American programs, also referred to as federal stimulus funding, has been earmarked for Native American youth, 18-24 years of age.

This is an excellent opportunity for our young adults to utilize this program to help them establish themselves in viable career paths.

With funding available and staff ready to assist with employment and training, we encourage all young adults interested in finding a job, learn new skills or retool their existing skills to contact our office. Basic requirements will apply.

Find out today if you are eligible for participation by calling the WIA office at (800) 247-4612, ext. 27660 or by visiting us at the tribal administration complex in Concho, Okla.

DEADLINES

The deadline to submit information for the **Oct. 15, 2009** *Tribal Tribune* is **5 p.m. Oct. 8, 2009**. All late submissions will be placed in the following issue, unless space is available.

- **Deadlines are 5 p.m. on the 8th and 23rd of each month**, unless the date falls on a weekend, then the deadline will be the Friday before. -

All copy submitted is requested to be sent electronically in Microsoft Word, if possible, without boxes around the text or hyperlinks. We are unable to open Publisher documents nor can we publish copyrighted material without permission.Thank you.

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Education suggested for voters on English-only legislation

By Dana Attocknie, Managing editor

Legislation written to establish English as the "common and unifying" language has itself bewildered and divided some voters.

"There's a real job of education (needed) by voters," James Crawford, Institute for Language and Education Policy president, said. "When people don't really think about the issue until they're in the voting booth, it's too late. We have 13 months to reach people."

Crawford was the second guest speaker for the University of Oklahoma's (OU) Presidential Dream Course series on Sept. 23, 2009 at the Sam Noble Museum of Natural History in Norman, Okla. His lecture was tilted, "Why Official English? Using Language as a Wedge." He discussed English-only arguments, myths and legislation, including Oklahoma State Question 751, which will allow state voters - on Nov. 2, 2010 - to decide whether or not English should become the official state language.

Crawford listed arguments he's heard for adopting English-only laws, such as: English played a major unifying role for Americans; increasing diversity threatens the status of English as the common language, and the cost of accommodations for having documents printed in other languages.

Crawford said instead of English-only, it should be English-plus. "In today's world, American's need English plus other languages," he said. He listed reasons against English-only laws during the lecture, and before the House Subcommittee in Education Reform on July 26, 2006. Below are Crawford's views verbatim stating "Official English" is:

1. Unnecessary – The overwhelming dominance of English in the United States is not threatened in any way. Newcomers to this country are learning it more rapidly than ever before. Our language does not need "legal protection."

2. Punitive – Restricting government's ability to communicate in other languages would threaten the rights and welfare of millions of people, including many U.S. citizens, who are not fully proficient in English.

3. Pointless – Official-English legislation offers no practical assistance to anyone trying to learn English. In fact, it is likely to frustrate that goal by outlawing programs designed to bring immigrants into the mainstream of our society.

4. Divisive – The campaign to declare English the official language often serves as a proxy for hostility toward minority groups, Latinos and Asians in particular. It is exacerbating ethnic tensions in a growing number of communities.

5. Inconsistent with American values – Official-English laws have been declared unconstitutional in state and federal courts, because they violate guarantees of freedom of speech and equal protection of the laws.

6. Self-defeating – English Only policies are foolish in an era of globalization, when multilingual skills are essential to economic prosperity and national security. Language resources should be conserved and developed, not suppressed.

Crawford said the English-only battle brings about prejudice and discrimination. He said language is being used as a tool for repressing and controlling unpopular minorities, and he reflected on the country's history saying that people became used to a country that wasn't that diverse and people grew up thinking bilingualism was quite strange.

Census statistics were provided during the lecture on English speakers, English-only speakers and speakers of other languages. He said some of the census information presented was not complete because the same questions were not continually asked in the census each year. He did point out that immigrants today are more rapidly learning English than the ones before them, and only 5 percent of American Indian youth are speaking their native language while American Indian elders who speak the language are dying.

He mentioned the Native American Languages Act of 1992, a "grant program to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages," saying it was a, "belated effort" with "minimal funding."

"The amount of money spent is minuscule," he said, adding that approximately four million dollars was allocated for the entire U.S.

Crawford said both schools and government never operated in more than one language until the 1960s with the Civil Rights Act. In his testimony before the House Subcommittee in Education Reform mentioned earlier, Crawford stated, " … there have been ugly episodes of language-based discrimination, such as the English Only school policies that once targeted Native Americans and Mexican Americans. Unlike many other countries, however, we have seldom passed laws to repress or restrict minority tongues. Language has usually been taken for granted here – as a practical rather than a symbolic issue – despite the diversity that has historically prevailed."

The first official English proposal came in 1981, Crawford said. On his Institute Web site, www.ellaadvoctes.org, he discusses Arizona's 1988 official English legislation stating it was, " … struck down for violating the First Amendment guarantee of freedom of speech and the Fourteenth Amendment guarantee of equal protection of the laws. This English Only mandate not only violated the rights of state employees and elected officials to express themselves, the Arizona Supreme Court found. It also violated the rights of limited-and non-English-speaking persons to receive information 'when multilingual access may be available and may be necessary to ensure fair and effective delivery of governmental services.'"

In April 2009 Loretta King, acting assistant attorney general, from the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division wrote a letter to Oklahoma's Attorney General W.A. Drew Edmondson concerning Oklahoma's proposed English-only constitutional amendment. King's letter addressed the responsibility to defend the civil rights of limited English proficient (LEP) people and the Title VI requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 that need to be followed in order to continue receiving federal funding assistance.

In turn, Edmondson wrote a letter on April 20, 2009 to Oklahoma Gov. Brad Henry reiterating DOJ concerns and the possiblility of court cases, stating, "It is not clear whether we would prevail in such litigation but it appears very clear that we can expect such litigation to follow passage of these proposals."

State legislators then revised some of the verbiage in its proposal to comply with DOJ concerns.

In an interview with the *Tulsa World*, Alejandro Miyar, DOJ spokesman, stated, "The proposal appropriately allows languages other than English when required by federal

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Reward renewed in 2007 El Reno murder case

James Shaw

The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) has renewed up to a $10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the stabbing death of James Shaw inside his El Reno home May 21, 2007. By law, OSBI rewards expire after 90 days.

Shaw was found inside his home by a family member that evening. The 73-year-old retired teacher/professor had made a trip to the bank and to Wal-Mart after having lunch with his wife earlier in the day. Robbery may have been a motive.

If anyone has information on this case, call the OSBI hotline at (800) 522-8017.

Independent Living Center opens doors to all tribes

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Housing Authority is now accepting applications from OTHER MEMBERS OF OTHER TRIBES for the Independent Living Center located in Clinton, Okla.

The Independent Living Center is offered to Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members or other members of other tribes who are 55 and over; and must be capable of living on their own without a live-in-aide. The Independent Living Center offers the following:

- Community living space
- Safe room
- A.D.A. compliant
- Laundry facilities
- Total electric
- Fire suppression protection
- Emergency notification system
- Convenient parking

The Living Center consists of 26 one-bedroom units and four two-bedroom units. Each unit is equipped with a range, refrigerator, handicapped showers and washer and dryer hookups (washer and dryers are not provided). There are only nine vacant units left for lease.

All interested Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members or members of other tribes over the age of 55 are encouraged to apply.

Applications may be obtained through the Cheyenne-Arapaho Housing Authority located at 2100 Dogpatch Road, in Clinton, Okla. or by calling (580) 323-4877 or (800) 482-4288.

Special Tribal Council Meeting
September 5, 2009
Pioneer Center
1000 Gartrell Place, Weatherford, Oklahoma
Official Minutes

Invocation: Chester Whiteman

Roll Call/Establish Quorum (91 Tribal Members at 10:35 a.m.); Rachel Lynn, Tribal Council Coordinator

Voluntary (6) counters: *Janice Morkum-Stratton, Dana West, Leslie Wandrie Bill Tallbear, Kayty Kurtis, and Chester Whiteman.*

Nominations for Chairperson:
Nomination of William Tallbear, Jr and Bobbie Hamilton. Results: (81) for William Tallbear, Jr., (17) for Bobbie Hamilton and (5) abstaining (not voting).
Chairman –William Tallbear, Jr.

Chairman appointed (6) counters: *Volunteer counters listed above.*

Nomination for Secretary
Nomination of Leslie Harjo, Bobbie Hamilton, Charlene Wassana and Rosemary Conner. Leslie Harjo, Charlene Wassana and Rosemary Conner declined nominations.
Secretary by acclamation- Bobbie Hamilton

Nominations for Sgt. of Arms
By unanimous consent, Tribal Council to proceed with business without Sgt of Arms.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution to hold a Special Election to amend the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes' Constitution Article, IV, Section 1(d)"

Read into record by, Gladys Nowlin and seconded.

Discussion

Vote: (88) for, (98) opposed and (1) abstention.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Chairman: William Tallbear, Jr. 9-22-09 Date

Secretary: Bobbie Hamilton 9-22-09 Date

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TO: ALL CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBAL MEMBERS
(18 YEARS AND OLDER ON OR BEFORE October 3, 2009)

Annual Tribal Council Meeting
Saturday, October 3, 20089 10:00 a.m.
Concho Community Hall, Concho OK

In accordance with the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes' Constitution, Article V, Section 3 (a) An Annual Meeting of the Tribal Council shall be held on the first Saturday in October. No other meetings of the Tribes shall be held on the first Saturday in October including a Special Tribal Council meeting or a meeting of the Legislature. The Annual Meeting of the Tribal Council shall be held in Concho. The Tribes shall provide bus transportation for members of the Tribes to attend the Annual Meeting.

The following items are posted at the Office of Tribal Council (located at Concho Community), Office of Administration (formerly Business Manager's Office), and C & A Website (ww.c-a-tribes.org). Any resolution is available to the public.

New Business:

1. AUTHORIZATION TO CONSTRUCT A COMMUNITY BUILDING ON THE CLINTON RESERVE
2. AUTHORIZATION FOR 99 YEAR LEASE FOR 5 ACRES ON THE CONCHO RESERVE.
3. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE GOVERNOR TO EXECUTE GAMING VENDOR AGREEMENTS
4. EL RENO LAND INTO TRUST
5. EASEMENT- CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA, CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO #3251, NE/4 SW/4 AND LOT 3 (NW/4 SW/4) OF SEC. 19-T16N-R12, BLAIN CO.,OK
6. AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBAL UTILITY
7. AUTHORIZATION FOR GOVERNOR TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY

In accordance with the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes' Constitution, Article V, Section 3 (c) The Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council shall provide notice of all Regular Meetings and Special Meetings of the Tribal Council at least fifteen days before such Meeting. This document serves as the required fifteen day public notice.

CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
ANNUAL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

Saturday October 3, 2009 10:00 a.m.
Concho Community Hall

BUS TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULE

Route #1 (West) (Hammon Elk City, Clinton, Thomas, Colony, Weatherford)		
TOWN	DEPARTURE LOCATION	DEPARTURE TIME
Hammon, OK	Hammon Community Hall	7:00 a.m.
Elk City, OK	Loves Country Store 2703 E. Highway 66	7:40 a.m.
Clinton, OK	Lucky Star Casino II	8:15 a.m.
Weatherford, OK	United Supermarket 810 E Main Street	8:35 a.m.

Route #2 (Northwest) (Seiling, Woodward, Canton, Longdale, Watonga, Geary)		
TOWN	DEPARTURE LOCATION	DEPARTURE TIME
Seiling, OK	Seiling Community Hall 411 N. Main	7:00 a.m.
Canton, OK	Native American Community Center Broadway Street	7:40 a.m.
Watonga, OK	Watonga Multi-Purpose Building	8:30 a.m.
Geary, OK	Geary Community Hall 132 E Main	9:00 a.m.

Route #3 (Northwest) (Seiling, Woodward, Canton, Longdale, Watonga, Geary)		
TOWN	DEPARTURE LOCATION	DEPARTURE TIME
Oklahoma City, OK	Wal-Mart Super Center 7500 E. Reno	8:00 a.m.
El Reno, OK	Canadian County Parking Lot 100 N. Choctaw	8:30 a.m. (pick up every 30 minutes til 10 a.m.)
Kingfisher	Wal Mart Store 1213 S. Main Street	9:15 a.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Office of Tribal Council at 1-800-247-4612 ext. 27430 or direct line 405-422-7430.

Tribal Tidbits

Tribal employees and visitors enjoy a freshly grilled hamburger or hot dog at the tailgate party.

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Amaris Sweezy prepares to throw out an OU t-shirt.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' employee committee hosted a tribal employee tailgate party on Sept. 11, 2009 to help raise funds for the Indian Child Welfare's (ICW) annual Christmas party.

Raffle tickets were sold for a flat screen television, University of Oklahoma (OU) football game tickets and OU memorbilia. A total of $700 was raised for the ICW's Christmas party.

Clifton Ellis (l) tries to beat Johnnie Perkins (r) to the catch.

Rachel Morales lead students, in a single file line, to safety during a practice fire drill.

Photos by Rosemary Stephens

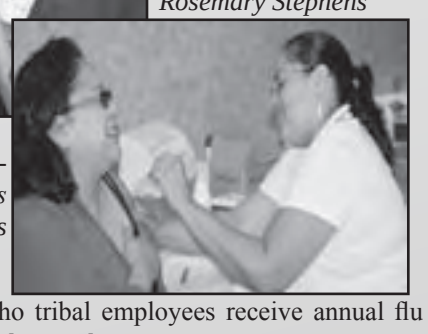
Right-James Nimrod, emergency management services, and Justin Risenhoover, security, observe the fire drill practice run for accuracy in procedures.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Head Start students receive instructions on how to safely and quickly exit their classrooms in case of a fire. James Nimrod, emergency management services and security officers held a fire drill on Sept. 11, 2009 at the Concho Head Start.

Head start students file out of the classroom in a single file line with hands on the shoulder of the person in front of them.

Left: Charlene Wassana gives Roderick Sweezy a flu shot.

Photos by Rosemary Stephens



Right: Corrine Morton doesn't flinch as Niki Baker administers the flu shot.

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal employees receive annual flu shots at the Concho Tribal Complex on Sept. 21, 2009.

A presentation was given by Patricia Yarholar, health education director, showing different precautions to take to avoid spreading germs and the importance of good hygiene.

Left: Laketa Pratt and Debra Endecott learn the lateral resistance ankle bands exercise.

Below: Tribal employees enjoy their healthy lunch furnished by the diabetes wellness program.

Courtesy photos

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Diabetes Wellness program staff hosted their monthly Lunch and Learn on Sept. 22, 2009 at the Concho community center in Concho, Okla. Deborah Ellis gave a presentation on digestion and the participants were taught different exercise techniques.

Elder Care update

Submitted article

In June 2009 the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Elder Care program temporarily raised the income guidelines for July, August and September 2009 to better assist elders with their high utility bills during the hot summer days.

Effective Oct. 1, 2009, the Elder Care program will go back to the income guidelines that were in effect previous to July 2009. Monthly countable income must be equal to or less than the following income standards, which are 250 percent of federal poverty guidelines.

Size of family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9 or more
Monthly income standard	$2256	$3035	$3815	$4594	$5373	$6152	$6931	$7710	Add $577 per month for each over 8

AARP seeks nominations for 2009 Indian Elder Honors

(OKLAHOMA CITY)- The AARP Oklahoma announced it is seeking nominations for its 2009 Indian Elder Honors.

The association will recognize 50 American Indians over the age of 50 who have made a positive contribution to their respective tribe and/or the state of Oklahoma.

Honorees need not be a member of AARP but must be a member of one of the 37-federally recognized tribes in Oklahoma.

Nominations for the 2009 AARP Indian Elder Honors are being accepted now through Oct. 31, 2009.

"We are excited to make this announcement because it gives us an opportunity to recognize the contributions older American Indians have made to our state," said AARP Volunteer State President Marjorie Lyons. "The resilience, dedication to cultural preservation and dignity of Indian elders are an indelible part of our state's diverse population."

Honorees will be recognized during an event planned later this fall in Oklahoma City.

To make a nomination:

In 250 words or less, describe how the person nominated has made a positive difference on his or her respective tribe and/or the state of Oklahoma

Include the full contact information (telephone number, e-mail address and mailing address) of both the person nominated and the person making the nomination.

Nominations without full contact information will not be considered. E-mail nominations to: cedavis@aarp.org.

Regular mail nominations can be sent to: AARP Indian Elder Honors, 126 North Bryant, Edmond, OK 73034.

Rules: AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honorees must be over the age of 50 and must be a member of one of the 37-federally recognized tribes in Oklahoma.

Honorees must not be deceased and need not be a member of AARP.

Selection of honorees will be determined solely at the discretion of an anonymous selection committee. There is no cash award for this honor.

English

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law, and, as long as recipients comply with those laws, federal funds are not at risk."

On July 28, 2009, Oklahoma's Congressional Delegation, which includes, James Inhofe, Tom Coburn (U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs committee member), Dan Boren, Frank Lucas, Tom Cole, John Sullivan, and Mary Fallin, sent a letter to the United States Attorney General, the Honorable Eric. H. Holder, asking what prompted the letter and what federal funding was in jeopardy, in addition to asking DOJ to, "offer an explanation for its overreach."

Crawford noted that Inhofe is now the leading advocate for Oklahoma's English-only legislation. In a press release soon after the DOJ inquiry, Inhofe stated, "This nation's cultural diversity is one that contributes to the greatness of our country. I support the state's effort to pass a constitutional amendment making English the official language of the state because it ultimately facilitates better communication across the many lines of diversity within our state. The state legislature has overwhelmingly passed this amendment, and now it is up to the voters of Oklahoma to decide if they wish to accept it. It is entirely unacceptable for the federal government to try to strong arm the state by threatening to remove federal funding. I look forward to hearing the Justice Department's explanation for such behavior."

The principal authors of House Joint Resolution 1042, which is now Oklahoma's SQ 751, are Sen. Anthony Sykes and Rep. Randy Terrill.

Oklahoma's previous English-only measure introduced last year passed in the House, but died in the Senate.

According to www.us-english.org the states with official English laws are listed here with the year they were initiated: 2007 Idaho, 2006 Arizona, 2002 Iowa, 2000 Utah, 1998 Missouri, 1998 Alaska, 1996 Wyoming, 1996 Virginia, 1996 Georgia, 1995 South Dakota, 1995 New Hampshire, 1995 Montana, 1990 Alabama, 1988 Florida, 1988 Colorado, 1987 North Dakota, 1987 North Carolina, 1987 Mississippi, 1987 Arkansas, 1987 South Carolina, 1986 California, 1984 Tennessee, 1984 Kentucky, 1984 In-

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A Warrior is ...

By Matheson Hamilton

Chapter 5

In his early years, Afraid of the Dark had always been counseled in the ways of a warrior. As a warrior he knew their code was very strict and now that he was married he hoped that he could live up to his warrior code.

But ever since their camp was attacked and Falling Leaf had killed a tribal enemy, protecting their camp while Afraid of the Dark was out hunting. Things had changed for Afraid of the Dark, but Falling Leaf was comfortable with everything as if nothing had happened. Now everyone knew his Falling Leaf by the name of Redtail Hawk, after the name giving ceremony for killing an enemy.

Afraid of the Dark felt funny because he was supposed to be the only warrior of his family. Now he felt that there were two warriors in his family. It was now time to go and see the Chief of his lodge for council.

The Chief told Afraid of the Dark I am going to tell you a true story of warriors who went on a war party. There were 50 warriors in all and one of them was a woman. Her husband was killed the year before in a storm. She vowed to take his place on the next war party, and keep honor in his clan.

Most warriors said that they would not take a woman on a war party with them, but the chiefs said we have men who stay in the village and do women's work, so she will go. The warriors were the hardest of men on this very dangerous raid, which most thought that if any returned they would be lucky. All 50 warriors made a vow that they would return but on the raid they were outnumbered five to one.

They all came home except for one, who was shot in the back with an arrow, but the wound would not heal and he died on the way home. The 49 warriors including the woman were all honored home with a lot of celebrating.

Now in this true story, if warriors can accept a woman as a warrior, you must now make peace with yourself and Redtail Hawk.

As she received her name the way a warrior does. You were in love with a girl named Falling Leaf, but now she is gone and you must love Redtail Hawk, the woman is the same as she is the same person.

Now as for the warrior songs most people call them forty-nine, honoring the 49 warriors that returned. But I don't think the name forty-nine will last too long.

So Afraid of the Dark go home and live your life with Redtail Hawk. You said that she acts like nothing has changed and to her nothing probably didn't change because she was just doing what she was brought up to do; and you feel threatened by your wife since she doesn't think anything of it. Go home and love your wife knowing that in your camp you are the one and only warrior.

Afraid of the Dark went home thinking that if women could just boast about their accomplishments like warriors do, then everything would be okay.

All evening Afraid of the Dark looked at Redtail Hawk and thought of how lucky he was to have a woman like her but he needed to talk with her. After the evening meal he told her to sit down by him before he could say anything Redtail Hawk asked if she could say something first. Afraid of the Dark agreed.

She said Afraid of the Dark you are my only love and I will do anything you say. You look troubled and if it is because of me I am sorry for how things have turned out. All I have ever wanted to do was be your wife so if you wish I won't go to any council meetings or do anything that a warrior does since now we are expecting a new member to our family when the first frost comes.

Afraid of the Dark told Redtail Hawk it's as if you can read my mind or as if we were one. Redtail Hawk said I will not speak of this again and I am truly glad that we are together.

The next morning Yellow Dog came by to get Afraid of the Dark and together they went hunting.

On the way Yellow Dog said jokingly, we should have brought Redtail Hawk with us. Afraid of the Dark said my brother you can joke all you want because I am good with my life.

In fact, Redtail Hawk is getting ready to do something that even you can't do. Yellow Dog said what can a woman do that I can't?

Afraid of the Dark said she will give me a child in a few months. Yellow Dog got serious and was real happy along with Afraid of the Dark.

Yellow Dog said that is the greatest gift our Creator has given to anyone. I will be as good of an uncle to your child as you are to mine. Tell Redtail Hawk that I am happy for the both of you. As for you Afraid of the Dark, I will tell you that giving life makes a woman more powerful than any warrior.

That is why in our societies we take care of women and it is forbidden to even raise a fist to a woman. What kind of warrior would that make?

After the hunt Afraid of the Dark took the meat back to camp. When he arrived he hugged Redtail Hawk and said after the evening meal let's go and listen to the stories and the flute music like we did when we were younger. That evening they enjoyed themselves with stories, music, friends and family.

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Cheyenne, Arapaho sports spotlights tribal members of the El Reno High School football team in El Reno, Okla.

By Rosemary Stephens

74 Brandon Whiteman

My favorite thing about football is everything … I grew up playing football and I just love the sport.

I hope to attend college on a football scholarship … don't know where yet.

My hobbies are sports, hanging with friends and music.

22 DeAngelo Harris

My favorite thing about football is it's a fun sport and I get to experience new things.

I don't have any college plans at the moment but I think I would like to be a massage therapist.

My hobbies are basketball, football and playing video games.

75 Derrick Birdshead

My favorite thing about football is when I put someone on their back.

I want to go to either the University of Oklahoma (OU) or Oklahoma State University (OSU) and study history.

My hobbies are basketball and hanging out with friends.

36 Devon Wells

My favorite thing about football is hitting people and getting hit.

I am thinking about attending Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU).

My hobbies are hanging out with friends, basketball and eating.

77 Dylan Hight

My favorite thing about football is getting to hit people.

I don't know about college, but I think I would like to join the Navy.

My hobbies are watching movies and hanging with friends.

47 Frankie Comesetvah

My favorite thing about football is it gives me a chance to see how well I can perform.

I hope to go to college, really no preference, but I would like to go into law enforcement.

My hobbies are cross country running, wrestling, football and hanging with my friends.

1 Joseph Vorva

My favorite thing about football is getting to play.

I hope to attend either Oklahoma State University (OSU) or my second choice is the University of Oklahoma (OU)

My hobbies are basketball, drawing, fishing and some reading.

3 Raymond Little

My favorite thing about football is the rush you get when the ball is kicked off.

I hope to go to college on a basketball scholarship and study law.

My hobbies are football, basketball, my friends and girls.

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Custer County Department of Human Services

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For the past three years, Gov. Darrell Flyingman has achieved MANY accomplishments for the betterment of ALL Cheyenne and Arapaho people.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

- Completed the Grant Thornton, LLP audit which exposed the massive corruption committed by Southwest Corporation including a final decision issued by the National Indian Gaming Commission that Southwest Corporation committed "undue influence" over the Tribes by the purchase of tribal votes.
- Successfully completed the first Anual Budget of the Tribes in years, marking a return to proper and sound management practices.
- Successfully taken off the High Risk Status, after over a decade of losing federal and states grants due to the high risk status, the Tribes have completed past due financial audits, and BIA removes Tribes from "High Risk" status.

SAFEGUARDED TRIBES

- Successfully defended the Tribes against claims by Southwest Corpporation to 'cease and desist' using the trademark "Lucky Star" casinos.

SAVED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

- The Tribes managed the casinos, saving $6 million per year in management fees to Southwest Corporation.

ENDED EMBEZZLEMENT

- Ended embezzlement by certain Business Committee Members, Legislators and their supporters by stopping the "travel advances" and "hot checks" schemes that existed when Southwest Corporation managed the Tribes' casinos.

EXPANSION OF CASINOS AND SMOKE SHOPS

- Thereby increasing economic growth for our Tribes.

ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

- The tribal nursing home has re-opened after it's destruction by storms.
- A new tribally owned grocery story, Calumet Grocery in Calumet, Okla. has been established and is on it's way to being self-supporting.

SUPPORTS UNIFORM POLICY FOR ALL BRANCHES

- Supports and follows the Tribal Council decision that all branches of government must follow uniform policies including the personnel policy, financial policies and procurement policies.

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Cigarette Kingpins - Indian smoke shops feel heat

(NEW YORK) - After doing time for possession and an accidental killing, crack dealer Rodney Morrison decided he was finished with drugs. He threw himself a ``retirement'' party in 1993 and got into a new line of work: tax-free cigarettes.

It was a business operating in a gray area of the law, and the riches were enormous.

Within a decade, the smoke shop Morrison opened on Long Island's little Poospatuck Indian Reservation had become one of the state's biggest dealers in untaxed cigarettes. Other drug dealers soon took note and followed him into the business.

By 2007, one in every seven packs sold in New York state came from either Morrison's shop or three others on the reservation, all four managed by people with a history of drug dealing, The Associated Press found in a review of court and business records.

Those four stores sold 9.9 million cartons of cigarettes that year, or enough to supply every smoker in New York City with a pack a day for 31/2 months.

Now, it may all be going up in smoke for the cigarette kingpins of the Poospatuck reservation.

Dismayed by the lost tax revenue, New York City has waged a legal battle that could put shops like Morrison's out of business. This month, Poospatuck stores may have to begin collecting taxes for the first time because of a federal judge's ruling that untaxed sales to non-Indians are illegal.

Morrison, 42, is in deeper trouble. He could get up to 30 years in prison when he is sentenced Sept. 25 in a case in which federal prosecutors set out to blame him for a murder but wound up convicting him of illegally trafficking in cigarettes.

Other states have also struggled with the sale of untaxed cigarettes at reservation smoke shops, and federal prosecutors have filed smuggling charges in recent years against a few dealers in Idaho and Washington. But the cigarette trade on New York's reservations dwarfs the business in other states, with 304 million packs sold in 2007 alone.

The Poospatuck case is being watched closely. If the court decisions are applied to all reservation smoke shops statewide, they could doom a $6 billion-a-year business in Indian tobacco that now accounts for a third of New York's cigarette sales.

The Poospatuck reservation covers just 55 acres at the edge of a suburban neighborhood in the town of Mastic, about 60 miles from New York City. Fewer than 300 people live there. The centuries-old preserve of the Unkechaug tribe has long been impoverished, with many residents living in trailers.

It has about a dozen smoke shops in all, for one major reason: Indian sovereignty.

Because the state doesn't collect sales taxes on Indian land, cigarettes bought there can cost less than half of what they do in New York City, which has the nation's highest tobacco taxes. In the city, a carton of Marlboros costs about $95, including $42.50 in state and local taxes.

As a result, ``buttleggers'' _ operating, investigators say, with the assistance of some store owners _ buy large quantities of cigarettes on the reservation and resell them in the city at a big markup. Some of those packs wind up on the shelves of convenience stores and bodegas. Others are sold on the street by ``$5 men.''

``There's no difference between the cigarette business and the drug business. It's the same type of individuals involved,'' said Kyron Hodges, a former drug dealer from Brooklyn who joined legions of street hustlers transporting tax-free cigarettes from the Poospatuck reservation to the city. ``I took all of my street knowledge and applied it to cigarettes.''

Technically, New York law allows reservation merchants to sell tax-free tobacco only to members of the tribe for their personal consumption. And in recent years, police have arrested at least 220 people leaving the Poospatuck reservation with loads of cigarettes.

But until now, the rule has never been enforced against the smoke shops themselves, despite the loss of more than $700 million a year in state and local tax revenue. Since the mid-1990s, New York governors fearful of stirring up tribal unrest have instructed state tax officials to leave the smoke shops alone.

And so, as state authorities looked the other way, Morrison's business boomed, grossing $172 million in one 41/2-year period, according to bank records. He bought homes, land and businesses throughout the U.S. and Latin America, stashed $30 million in foreign banks and collected $1.7 million worth of luxury watches.

Morrison's lawyer, Billy Murphy, said his client's transformation from drug dealer to entrepreneur should be viewed as a success story.

When Morrison was 20, he killed a 6-year-old boy while blasting off shotgun rounds in a friend's yard. He pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide and was sentenced to probation. Later, he got a year in jail for drug possession.

``Rodney decided to give it up and go legit,'' Murphy said. ``He retired from the drug business and went into the cigarette business because he thought it was legal.''

Prosecutors, though, said Morrison didn't change his methods. He kept a gun in his office. He talked tough. And when a wave of violence swept the reservation, people began pointing fingers.

The car of one smoke shop owner was firebombed. Another shop owner was beaten and robbed. Armed men burst into a tribal council meeting and threatened the chief's life. Then, in 2003, a former Morrison employee with a rival cigarette business, 23-year-old Sherwin Henry, was shot to death on a Brooklyn rooftop.

After the incident at the tribal council meeting, Morrison seemed pleased people were afraid of him, an employee later told prosecutors. ``Every now and then you have to bite people,'' he said, according to the worker.

Meanwhile, Morrison held himself out as a respectable businessman, joining the local Chamber of Commerce.

Morrison wasn't the only person on the reservation with a checkered past.

His estranged half-brother, Shawn, began managing The Golden Feather smoke shop after finishing a seven-year prison term in 2004 for drug dealing. The Smoking Arrow Smoke Shop was managed for a time by a former member of Morrison's drug crew. And Monique's Smoke Shop was run by a man who served six months for drug dealing in the 1990s.

None of the men are Indian, but all of them are married or connected romantically to Indian women, and that entitled them to run businesses on the reservation.

During hearings over a lawsuit brought by New York City, a former smuggler and an undercover state tax investigator testified that many of the Poospatuck stores welcomed illicit business.

Some were lookouts, watching for police patrols. Others split large orders into smaller transactions to hide big deals. There were tales of late-night meetings in parking lots where cash was exchanged for garbage bags filled with cigarettes.

Morrison was arrested in 2004 and indicted on federal racketeering charges accusing him of Henry's murder and a string of other violent crimes. Prosecutors said he paid $15,000 to have Henry killed because he was stealing customers away.

At trial, Morrison's lawyer argued that most of the charges were concocted by jealous competitors. The jury acquitted Morrison last year on most counts, including the murder, but found him guilty of racketeering for selling untaxed cigarettes to non-Indians.

The verdict came as a shock to scores of reservation smoke shops across the state engaged in a nearly identical business.

Morrison's lawyers have appealed his conviction, saying the state's policy was ``so hopelessly confused ... it is impossible for a citizen to know the law.''

In denying Morrison bail, U.S. District Judge Denis R. Hurley, who will sentence the

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Call for Indian artists

Submitted article

On Saturday, Nov. 14, 2009 the Oklahoma City Indian Clinic will be holding its Fifth annual Red Feather Gala at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. In the past we have involved Indian art as a part of our Gala. This year we are making a special effort to use art in our healing and health promotion efforts.

Here is how you can help. We have 100 canvases (10X10) that need to be painted.

We are looking for Indian artists to participate by painting one to three pieces (deadline Oct. 26). This is our fifth annual fundraiser. Last year there were 350 people in attendance. Corporate tables are sold ranging between $800 and $5000. For your donation we can offer you the following:

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A "THANK YOU" on our Web page with full contact information.

The Oklahoma City Indian Clinic is home to the Urban 5, a group of Indian artist who have partnered with the clinic since July 2007. To learn more about this special group and how their art is being used by the clinic go to our Web page www.okcic.com, go to News and Events – In the News - "Nurturing Wellness Through Art"

I invite you to become part of a new wave of American Indian Art that will wage war against diabetes, obesity, heart disease and other debilitating health issues.

For more information, contact Steve Barse, Community Liaison at: (405) 601-9076 or steve.b@okcic.com.

Sharing more than school spirit

Submitted by Culture and Heritage

Like many schools nation wide, they are a small group of Native American students who come together to embrace their culture and traditions.

Throughout the school they represent the El Reno "Indians," they are the Indian club.

Sponsored by the Indian education program students celebrated homecoming week and shared more than school spirit during the community parade held Sept. 18, 2009.

"Today we are able to share our culture with the community and school," one student said. "We have worked really hard to capture the true identity of the Native American student by decorating our float to represent the true culture of Native people."

The float carried more than the Indian club students wearing matching t-shirts, it also carried an 18 foot tipi; representing the traditional home of the Cheyenne and Arapaho people and a headdress, traditionally worn by chiefs.

Gordon Yellowman, Culture and Heritage program director said, "We wanted the float to represent the rich culture and traditions of the tribe, while exhibiting the pride the students had in being Native American. It was our pleasure to assist the Indian education program in helping to achieve a successful float."

The Indian education program is a federally funded program that helps to support the needs of Native American children.

The El Reno program is under the direction Mary Monetatchi and support staff members: Christine Levi and Mary West.

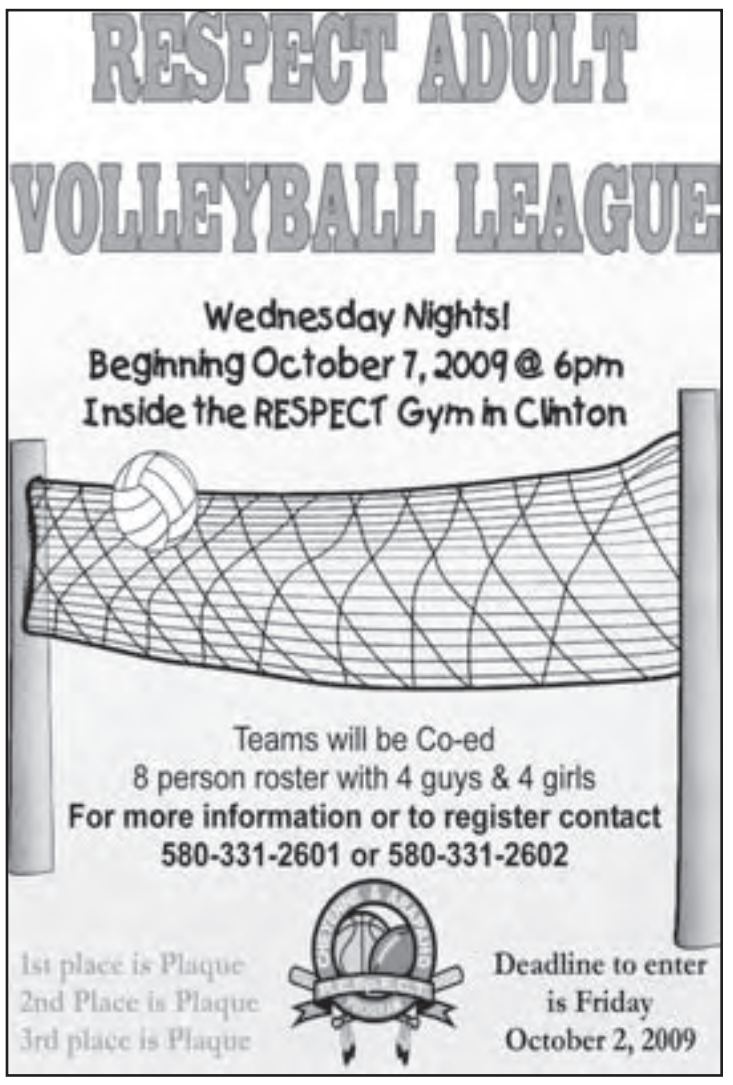
See El Reno homecoming parade photos on p. 14

Baked Potato Pockets with Chili

4 10-ounce baking potatoes
olive oil cooking spray
1 large onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 35-ounce can no-salt-added plum tomatoes, chopped with juice
1 15-ounce can low-sodium tomato puree
2 tablespoons chili powder
1 tablespoon ground cumin
1 teaspoon crushed dried red pepper flakes
1 teaspoon crushed dried oregano
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
2 cups chopped cooked turkey
1 8-ounce green pepper, seeded and chopped
1 15-ounce can red kidney beans, rinsed well
fat-free sour cream
fat-free grated cheddar cheese, about 2 tablespoons

Cooking with commods

Pre heat the oven to 400°F
Scrub the potatoes and pat dry. Prick several times with a fork. Bake directly on the middle oven rack (for the tastiest skin, don't oil the potatoes or wrap them in aluminum foil). Bake until soft to the touch, about 55 minutes to 1 1/4 hour.
Spray a large nonstick pot with cooking spray and saute the onions and garlic over low heat, stirring until they begin to turn golden. Add the tomatoes and tomato puree along with the chili powder, cumin, pepper flakes, oregano, and cinnamon. Stir to combine and then add the turkey, green pepper, and kidney beans. Bring to a simmer, and cook for 40 minutes. Slice each potato in half, lengthwise and then cut a slash down the middle and open out. Spoon a cup of the chili on each potato half and top with a dollop of sour cream and a sprinkle of cheese.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Women's Leadership Exchange Conference and Summit

Oct. 6, 2009 at the IKEA Frisco in Dallas, Texas. For more information call (888) 937-5800 or visit www.womensleadershipexchange.com.

Native Secretaries Conference

Oct. 6-7, 2009 at the Sandia Resort in Albuquerque, N.M. To register visit www.dciamerica.com.

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) 66th annual Convention and Trade Show

Oct. 11-16, 2009 at the Palm Springs Convention Center in Palm Springs, Calif. For more information visit www.ncai.org.

SACNAS National 2009 Conference

Oct. 15-18, 2009 at the Sheraton Hotel in Dallas, Texas. For more information call (877) SACNAS1 or visit www.sacnas.org.

The 2009 National Conference for Native Cancer Survivors, Family Members, Caretakers, and Medical Providers-Roots of Strength

Oct. 13-16, 2009 at the Cherokee Casino in Tulsa, Okla. For more information email npcoh@spiritone.com or call (503) 970-8004.

Native Women's Gathering and Conference-Redefining Our Place, Native Women Speak

Oct. 16-18, 2009 at the Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center in Lake Junaluska, N.C. For more information contact Stephanie Drum at (828) 452-2881, ext. 730 or email communications@lakejunaluska.com.

The Florida Gaming Summit

Oct. 19-20, 2009 at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Seminole, Fla. For more information call Lesley Grashow at (203) 938-2782 or visit www.floridagamingsummit.com

Roles and Responsibilities of Community Health Representatives in Indian Country

Oct. 21-22, 2009 at the Tuscany Resort in Las Vegas, Nev. To register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The 2009 Native American Art Studies Association (NAASA) Conference

Oct. 21-24 2009 at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Convention Center in Norman, Okla. For more information visit naasa.wordpress.com.

The 46th annual Cultural Intersections and New Directions Conference

Oct. 21-24, 2009 at the Marriott Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah. For more information call (941) 753-0080.

The 2009 American Indian Health Policy Conference-Healthcare Reform: Opportunities in Indian Country

Oct.22-23, 2009 at the Hilton in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information call (505) 277-0130.

The National Indian Education Association (NIEA) 40th annual Convention

Oct. 22-25, 2009 at the Milwaukee Convention Center in Milwaukee, Wis. For more information visit www.niea.org.

Editor's note: *All 2009 Cheyenne and Arapaho candidates were invited to submit their platform information in the Aug. 15, 2009 issue. The invitation was posted in each issue since June 15, 2009 with a 250-word limit and Aug. 1, 2009 deadline. The Aug. 15 issue was selected since absentee ballots would be out to tribal members. Four candidates accepted the invitation, met the deadline and were featured in the Aug. 15, 2009 issue in a special section. Below are entries received after the deadlines, which have been edited to remain at or below the 250-word rule. The rule will give all candidates equal platform space. These platform submissions are not considered display ads.*

The candidate(s) and/or the campaigns that choose to have display advertising in the tribune issues have paid for the space.

Kodaseet seeks A2 legislator post

To Arapaho District 2 constituents,

I'm Michael Kodaseet, father of Anthony, 25, Zackary, deceased, Kaitlyn, 15, and Melanie, 13. I've been married to my wife Katie for 18 years and we live in Geary.

I'm an honorably discharged Army veteran who holds an associate's degree in civil engineering. My parents are Charlotte Lumpmouth and Gary Kodaseet.

As a Lumpmouth family descendent, my ties to tribal government go back to the early 1930s when my great-grandfather, Doty Lumpmouth (Short Man), was appointed one of the five Geary area Arapaho chiefs. This history makes me proud of my family and heritage.

I have worked in construction and manufacturing. I held Department of Justice and B.I.A. positions prior to becoming the tribes' Child Protection Services worker.

Living on two other reservations, I've seen similar problems – high unemployment, substance abuse, teen pregnancies, high student dropout rates, suicide.

Unless we provide funding for more prevention services, our children will continue to be placed into the system and tribal families will continue to be displaced.

I believe the constitution is workable, but needs to be amended and our law and order code revised so it will speak for everyone.

Acting on another's behalf and contributing to other people is leadership.

My life and work experience gave me skills to work with others and the ability to bridge differences.

Carrying such a responsibility is challenging, but one I welcome with the support of Arapaho District 2.

Michael Kodaseet

I look forward to your vote on Oct. 6, 2009.

Hawk lists platform items for C2 position

My name is Marlin Hawk, a candidate for Cheyenne District 2. I'm asking for your vote and support in the elections.

I have the experience and background to be effective in this position.

The legislators are expected to make laws and resolutions, which are necessary and proper for the good of the tribes. I have written resolutions and worked on tribal ordinances adopted by tribal officials.

In past and present positions, I interpreted and complied with laws and regulations that the C&A government are required to be in compliance with (I was C&A Tax Commission vice-chairman).

I can contribute to improve the quality of every day life for tribal members. The tribal government can and should do more to create employment opportunities for tribal members, the tribal government and its entities should operate within their budgets, and all departments and enterprises should be audited on an annual basis.

I will help develop tribal laws ensuring our tribal government is progressive and accountable, and restore confidence and support of our tribal people. I want a tribal government that treats every tribal member equally, and provide services and benefits in a fair, proper manner in accordance with the tribal constitution.

I'll work to ensure the following policies are implemented and supported by tribal legislation: A comprehensive annual audit of federal and tribal funds. Tribal employment preference. Minor's sharing of per capita. Complete tribal participation in allocation program services and benefits, regardless of residency. Expand Clinton I.H.S. Prop-

Marlin Hawk

erly manage tribal resources and properties.

Group wants information in deaths of three teens

(CHEYENNE, Wyo.) - An open government group is seeking information in a federal criminal case it says is related to the deaths of three teenage girls on the Wind River Indian Reservation last year.

The Wyoming Coalition for Open Government filed papers in federal court in Cheyenne asking the court to release information on what killed the girls and the actions of any juveniles accused of involvement in their deaths. The group emphasized that it's not seeking information on the identities of any juvenile defendants.

The group includes representatives of the Wyoming Press Association, Wyoming Tribune Eagle, Casper Star-Tribune, other newspapers, The Associated Press and citizen groups including the League of Women Voters and the Equality State Policy Center.

``It's a matter where there are bigger issues involved here; it's not just this one case,'' said D. Reed Eckhardt, executive editor of the Wyoming Tribune Eagle in Cheyenne and president of the group's board of directors.

``It could happen again tomorrow with your kid, or your neighbor's kid, or in your neighborhood. The key issue here is to have open government,'' he said.

Ohetica Win Elyxis Gardner, 13; Winter Rose Thomas, 14; and Alexandrea ``Alex'' Whiteplume, 15, were found dead June 4, 2008, in a tribal housing complex south of Riverton. All three were members of the Northern Arapaho tribe.

In the weeks after the girls were found, tribal officials said their deaths highlighted the scourge of drugs and alcohol on the reservation.

The FBI investigated the deaths and started referring questions about the case to the U.S. Attorney's Office late last year.

Kelly Rankin, U.S. attorney for Wyoming, recently told the open government group that federal law and U.S. Department of Justice policy prohibited the release of information and records related to juvenile proceedings.

Rankin was unavailable for comment Monday, his office said.

The Fremont County Coroner's Office has declined to release copies of the autopsy reports for the girls, citing the federal investigation.

The group wrote last week to U.S. District Judge William B. Downes of Casper, the chief federal judge for the state, asking him to acknowledge the existence of a juvenile case concerning the girls' deaths. Lawyer Bruce Moats said the group didn't receive a response.

``I think it's important for the public, when there's apparently an unnatural death, to know why,'' Moats said. ``Parents may be able to adjust their behavior accordingly.''

Idaho Meth Project targets minorities

(BOISE, Idaho) - The Idaho Meth Project is targeting minority groups more than a year after the campaign was launched to steer teens and young adults away from methamphetamine through graphic TV, radio, print and billboard ads.

The Idaho campaign says it is discussing working with tribes to reach out to American Indians, a strategy used by the Montana Meth Project and commended by the Crow Tribe for addressing an issue that has become a big problem on many reservations.

Idaho Meth Project Executive Director Megan Ronk also said that early this year the group began airing ads on Spanish-language radio stations in regions where the state's Hispanic population is concentrated.

The effort was modeled after a similar one made by the Arizona Meth Project, Ronk said.

``They felt radio had been probably the most valuable media format to be able to reach that community,'' Ronk said.

The Idaho Meth Project is a gritty campaign aimed at persuading young people to avoid the drug with the slogan, ``Not even once.''

The project began gearing its message toward the state's Hispanic population after alarming statistics from a 2007 survey of high school students were released, Ronk said.

The Idaho Youth Risk Behavior Survey, compiled every two years by the state Department of Education, showed 14 percent of Hispanic students said they had used meth one or more times. That's compared to 5 percent of white students.

``When you take a look at that, it certainly suggests paying attention to the Hispanic community,'' Ronk said.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates Hispanics make up about 10 percent of Idaho's total 1.5 million population.

They are concentrated in the southern half of the state, according to analysts, especially in Canyon County and Twin Falls County _ areas where the Idaho Meth Project started running ads on Spanish-language radio stations in January.

The campaign combed the state last year looking for young people _ former meth users and those in recovery _ to tell their stories. About 70 interviews were completed and of those, about 10 percent were in Spanish, Ronk said.

The Idaho Meth Project hosted an educational event for the Hispanic community last fall and again this month in Nampa.

Community action events are part of the national Meth Project's three-pronged approach to combating first-time meth use, said Chris Rose, vice president of development for the Palo Alto, Calif.,-based Meth Project Foundation.

``We're constantly trying to expand our reach to teens,'' Rose said.

The campaign kicked off in 2005, when the Montana Meth Project started with a $20 million donation by billionaire businessman and rancher Tom Siebel.

The project has since been replicated in six other states, including Arizona, Idaho, Illinois, Wyoming, Colorado, and Hawaii.

The Idaho campaign was launched in January 2008, when the state was ranked fifth in the nation for meth use.

That number has dropped slightly since the campaign began. Idaho is now seventh.

Kingpins

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cigarette dealer, called him ``a cunning individual with dangerous proclivities'' and said that, despite the verdict, he believed Morrison had ``set up the scenario'' that resulted in Henry's murder.

Since the trial, state courts have continued to send conflicting messages about the smoke shops' legal obligations. As recently as July, a state appeals court threw out a case against a Cayuga Nation store in western New York, saying it could not be prosecuted for selling untaxed cigarettes.

Things could come to a head in the next few weeks. In her Aug. 25 ruling in the city's lawsuit, U.S. District Judge Carol Bagley Amon ordered the Poospatuck stores to start collecting taxes on sales to non-Indians in 30 days.

Shawn Morrison recently decided to close. Rodney Morrison's store is still in business, but like the others is in limbo. Philip Morris, the maker of Marlboros, ordered wholesalers last year to stop selling its products to shops on the Poospatuck reservation because of the smuggling.

The Unkechaug chief, Harry Wallace, blames a few ``dirty dealers'' for ruining the business.

``The unscrupulous guys come in, and all they care about is building their own personal fortune and then engaging in quasi-legal activity,'' Wallace said. ``All of a sudden, we are all criminals. We are getting blamed for someone else's actions.''

Calendar of Events

OU 2009 Symposium on American Indian Studies

Oct. 1-2, 2009 at the NCED Conference Center/Hotel in Norman, Okla. For more information, call Dr. Jerry Bread at (405) 325-5463.

United Keetoowah Band Celebration

Oct. 2-3, 2009 at the UKB tribal grounds in Tahlequah, Okla. Featuring Native American music, parade and hog fry. For more information call (918) 456-6533.

Honobia Bigfoot Fall Festival

Oct. 2-3, 2009 at the Christ Forty Acres in Honobia, Okla. Bigfoot stories, arts, crafts, live music, wagon rides and food. For more information call (981) 567-3434 or visit www.bigfootfestival.info.

OSU 2009 fall contest powwow

Oct. 3, 2009 at the Payne County Fairgrounds in Stillwater, Okla. For more information, call (405) 744-0401.

Red Road to Freedom powwow

Oct. 3, 2009 at the Bricktown Hotel and Convention Center, 2001 E. Reno Avenue, Oklahoma City. For more information email Jessica Moore at jessica.r.moore@okstate.edu.

Oklahoma Czech Festival

Oct. 3, 2009 in Yukon, Okla. For more information call (405) 206-8142 or visit oklahomaczechfestival.org.

Thirteenth annual Oklahoma Native Language Association conference

Oct. 8-9, 2009 at the N.E. District Oklahoma Indian Methodist Missionary Conference Center in Preston, Okla.

Fort Sill Indian School annual reunion

Oct. 9-10, 2009 in the F.S.I.S. campus gym in Lawton, Okla. F.S.I.S. veterans or family, send name, service dates, pictures, … to Richard Bread, P.O. Box 725, Apache, OK 73006. For more information, call Richard and Pat Bread (580) 588-2579.

Haskell Alumni Association of Oklahoma reunion

Oct. 9-11, 2009 at Radisson Inn, 10918 E. 41st Street (near Garnett and 41st) Tulsa, Okla. For more information about the annual event, call (918) 948-2505.

Kiowa Black Leggins Society

Oct. 9-11, 2009 at Indian City in Anadarko, Okla. Presentation of colors, Native American dancing and singing of War Mothers song. For more information call (405) 247-8896.

Pawnee Nation College fall powwow

Oct. 10, 2009 at the Pawnee Nation campgrounds, 490 Agency Road, in Pawnee, Okla. For more information call Andrew Gray at (918) 762-3343.

Pryor Wellbriety Powwow

Oct. 10, 2009 at the MidAmerica Expo Center in Pryor, Okla. For more information call (918) 698-0583.

The Sixth annual Comanche Nation College Invitational Film Festival

From 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Oct. 24, 2009 at the Comanche Nation College Auditorium, 1608 SW 9th Street, in Lawton, Okla.

Bacone Fall powwow

From 1 to 11 p.m. Oct. 31, 2009 in Muskogee, Okla. For more information, call (918) 360-1085.

Indian Youth Career Day

From 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 10, 2009 at the University of Central Oklahoma Nigh University Center. For more information, call Star Yellowfish at (405) 587-0356.

Oklahoma City Indian Clinic Fifth annual Red Feather Gala

At 7 pm on Nov. 14, 2009 at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. For more information contact Rita Wright-Burkhalter at (405) 570-8332 or by email at rita.w@okcic.com.

Indian archives symposium

Oct. 29-30, 2009 at the Oklahoma Historical Society. For more information call (405) 522-5209.

Attention Ladies!
Starting September 21st..
Classes will be held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday @ the RESPECT gym from 3:30 – 4:30pm.
If you have a favorite work out DVD bring it along and we can have fun and tone up!
Would you like to get fit? Now is the time!
For any questions or for more information, call the Clinton Respect office @ 331-2601.

EXPANSION EXPLORATION

DISCOVERING LUCKY STAR CASINO'S PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT LUCKY STAR CASINO HAVING AN EXPANSION OF THEIR FACILITY WITH THE ENLARGING OF THE CASINO FLOOR, ADDING MORE RESTAURANTS, BUILDING A HOTEL AND AN ENTERTAINMENT/CONVENTION CENTER IN CONCHO, OKLAHOMA?

"IT WOULD BRING MORE VISITORS TO EL RENO AND COMPLIMENT THE TOURISM VENUE THAT WE ARE TRYING TO BUILD HERE IN EL RENO. I THINK IT WOULD BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR CITIZENS OF EL RENO." -Karen Nix, El Reno Economic Development

"I THINK IT SHOULD BE DONE AND SHOULD'VE BEEN DONE A LONG TIME AGO. THIS IS A GOOD PLACE, GOOD LOCATION AND I ENJOY IT, BUT IT'S WAY BEHIND THE TIMES IN COMPARISON TO OTHER CASINOS." -David Morgan, Casino Patron

"THEY REALLY NEED NEW RESTAURANTS MAYBE ONE THAT OFFERS A FRIDAY NIGHT SEAFOOD BUFFET OF SOME SORT."
-Betty Clayton, Casino Patron

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-Francisco Matanane, Rez Restaurant Patron

"THAT WOULD BE GREAT IF IT MEANT IT WOULD BRING IN MORE CONCERTS."
-Amber Mangrum, Nick's Barbershop

"IT WOULD MAKE THIS PLACE BETTER. IT'S TOO SMALL AND WOULD GIVE CUSTOMERS MORE OPTIONS."
-Kenny Weber, Casino Patron

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COME TO THE TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING ON OCTOBER 3RD AND

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LET'S PUT OUR MINDS TOGETHER AND SEE WHAT LIFE WE CAN MAKE FOR OUR CHILDREN. - Sitting Bull

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Salazar launches partnership for Innovative Health Program at Indian Schools

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar was joined by college football All-American and Rhodes Scholar Myron Rolle to announce a new partnership that will introduce an innovative physical fitness and health program into Interior-funded American Indian schools.

"Our objective in this initiaitve is to inspire American Indian and Native Alaskan students to live healthier lifestyles through exercise, outdoor activity, and proper nutrition," Salazar said. "The program developed by the Myron Rolle Foundation will celebrate the uniqueness of their heritage and identity in curriculum, develop trust amongst peers, train leaders and involve the community to ensure their needs are met."

"The Bureau of Indian Education-funded schools are excited to participate in this initiative," said Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk. "They look forward to implementing the innovative features of this program that encourages children and their families to incorporate physical fitness and healthy choices into their daily lives."

"I am inspired by the way American Indian tribes have persevered and thrived, while retaining their cultural heritage and identity," Rolle said. "There are, however, significant health concerns that challenge this population -- in particular diabetes and obesity. Through the Our Way to Health Program, our goal is to encourage and help American Indian children in middle school to begin managing not only their own diet and exercise but, hopefully by extension, influence the adults in their lives to also begin adopting healthy life style changes."

Our Way to Health provides incentive-based learning experiences, team-building physical activities in the outdoors, health education and diabetes awareness sessions.

Rolle initially developed the curriculum for American Indian fifth-graders at a charter school in Okeechobee, Fla., when he was working with the Seminole tribe.

Rolle was an All-American safety for Florida State University in 2008-2009, but has delayed entering the National Football League to pursue studies as a Rhodes Scholar at the University of Oxford.

Initially, Interior will expand the Our Way to Health program to five Bureau of Indian Education-funded schools in New Mexico and Arizona beginning in the fall of 2009. Three of the schools are in Arizona and two are in New Mexico.

The schools are:

1) San Felipe Pueblo Elementary School (San Felipe Pueblo, N. M.)

2) Isleta Elementary School (Albuquerque, N. M.)

3) Hotevilla Bacavi Community School (Hotevilla, Ariz.)

4) Tuba City Boarding School (Tuba City, Ariz.)

5) Keams Canyon Elementary School (Kearns Canyon, Ariz.)

Features of the program include two visits to each school by Myron Rolle and a visit at the end of the semester to a National Football League or collegiate sporting event. The curriculum will allow the Bureau of Indian Education to reach students in a new and direct way.

The program is competitive, fun, rewarding and will be tailored to meet each school's individual needs.

Interior's Bureau of Indian Education serves 42,000 students in 183 schools and dormitories across the country on 64 reservations in 23 states.

The mission statement of BIE reflects its commitment to "manifest consideration of the whole person by taking into account the spiritual, mental, physical, and cultural aspects of the individual."

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tient is unable to contact the service unit, a family member may report the emergency room visit for the patient. The elderly have 30 days to report an emergency room visit. CHS determines a person to be elderly if they are 65 years or older. Any prescriptions given during an emergency room visit have to be approved prior to filling the prescription.

"The most important thing to remember is a referral or an emergency room visit does not commit IHS to pay for the services and the physicians or other health care professionals do not have the authority to authorize payments," George said. "If you go ahead and fill a prescription without prior approval from CHS, then just be aware that you are taking the chance of not being reimbursed for the money. That goes for any kind of medications. Always check with your primary IHS physician before filling a prescription given by a referring doctor or emergency room doctor to see if they can provide you with a generic version of the same medicine that will be covered."

She said there is a lot of confusion when a nurse or physician tells the patient to go and see a specialist because CHS will pay for it and then the patient is denied payment by CHS.

"If you read the referrals on the bottom of the referral it states 'Contract Health Services is not obligated to pay' and a lot of people won't even pursue it because they say CHS isn't going to pay for it and I can't pay for it so I am just going to be sick," Moses Starr, Cheyenne and Arapaho Health Board member, said. "They just don't go to the doctor and they don't find out if CHS is going to pay for it or not. We need to encourage people to at least turn in their referrals because they just don't know if it will be approved until they do."

George said everyone should turn in their referrals whether they think it will be paid or not. Each referral is logged into the computer system and all of the information and referrals collected over the year is available for the government to review when determining funding each year and making changes to the medical priorities list. She said she has been encouraged by the decrease of denials this year after the modification of the medical priorities list. To view the medical priorities list visit www.ihs.gov/nonmedical programs.

"A lot of people just take the word of their doctor or nurse that it's going to be covered and they actually go to the specialist and then turn in the referral for payment and it's denied. Only CHS can determine if a referral is a medical necessity to authorize payment and no one should ever go to an appointment for a specialist until after the referral is approved," George said. "But by all means turn in the referral, if we can help we want to help."

More informational community meetings will be held Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2009 at the Clinton Elderly Nutrition Center in Clinton, Okla. and Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2009 at the First Indian Baptist Church in Weatherford, Okla.

For more information about Contract Health Services contact the Clinton Service Unit staff at (580) 331-3590.

Community Meetings Concerning Contract Health Services

From 6 to 8 p.m. **Oct. 6, 2009** Clinton Elderly Nutrition Ctr.

From 6 to 8 p.m. **Oct. 13, 2009** Weatherford 1st Indian Baptist Church

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Health Board program will be sponsoring, CHR program will be hosting, Tracy George-Clinton I.H.S. will be presenting a series of meetings highlighting Contract Health Services. Supper will be served and everyone is encouraged to attend. Questions and comments will be taken at each meeting.

For a ride, call the CHR office at (405) 422-7670 or (800) 247-4612 ext. 27670 or contact your local CHR.

Judge dismisses school dress code lawsuit in SD

(ABERDEEN, S.D.) - A federal judge dismissed a lawsuit that sought to prevent a school district on a South Dakota Indian reservation from imposing a student dress code, saying the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe had withdrawn its support for the legal battle.

Two parents who had joined the tribal government in filing the lawsuit said they will likely file a new legal challenge to the dress requirements, which school officials said were adopted to reduce gang-related violence and other classroom disruptions.

The Cheyenne-Eagle Butte School District imposed the dress code at the start of the school year for kindergartners and 7th- and 8th-graders. It intends to expand that to all elementary grades eventually.

Some parents had complained they couldn't afford the required clothing _ black, white or tan shirts, pants, skirts or shorts.

U.S. District Judge Charles Kornmann had scheduled a hearing Thursday to hear arguments on whether the district would be blocked from enforcing the dress code while the lawsuit continued. But he said the tribe's lawyer told him the tribal council had withdrawn its support.

Kornmann said he believed the council had rescinded a resolution authorizing the lawsuit and had told its lawyer not to pursue the case.

``I'd says it's in a state of disarray,'' the judge said.

Kornmann then granted the school district's request to dismiss the lawsuit because there was no proof it had been legally served on the school district and its officials. He said parents can still find their own lawyer and file a new legal challenge.

Tribal Chairman Joseph Brings Plenty said the council still opposes the dress code, but

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Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Members Vote! Vote! Vote! Mark your calendars! October 6th, 2009!

The Primary Election is fast approaching! October 6th will be your first opportunity to vote for your next Governor and Lt. Governor of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes as well as four new legislators.

We have participated in approximately 12 campaign community meetings as well as shared our vision with thousands of tribal members via the tribal newsletter and our website (www.dorsettderenzo.com).

Thus far, the process has been extremely enlightening and has strengthened our commitment to establishing a government that works for EVERYONE! We have been reminded that as Governor and Lt. Governor our leadership responsibility will be to over 12,000 current tribal members as well as future generation tribal members who will and can benefit from an honest, fair, cohesive, and accountable government.

The campaign process has been rewarding and has been an opportunity to hear from the tribal members; their concerns, fears, frustrations as well as their hopes and dreams for a better tomorrow for them and their families. While we realize making campaign promises are risky, when elected, we can and wholeheartedly make the following promises to members of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes.

In wake of these promises, please understand that we vow not to operate the Tribal Government as it has been operated in the past. We vow not to politicize the governmental process and not to disregard the basic human rights of tribal members to exercise their freedom of speech and personal opinion. We vow not to put our personal agendas before that of the tribe's agenda and we will always find ways to come to the table and work our differences out for the best interest of the tribes and tribal members.

Tribal members must vote! We cannot express enough the importance of all eligible voters to get to the voting polls on October 6th and cast your ballot for your next Governor and Lt. Governor and we are asking for your vote. The Dorsett and Derenzo ticket will make the positive changes that this tribe needs in assuring a spirit of cooperation among tribal leaders and members.

(If you are a registered voter and have not received your ballot there is still time to request one from the election office at the tribal complex.)

VOTE

OCTOBER 6

Governor TERESA DORSETT

Lt. Governor CHRIS DERENZO

OUR PROMISES TO YOU- ALL TRIBAL MEMBERS

1. We promise a government that is accountable! We will be accountable to all tribal members as to the financial status of the Tribes on a monthly and/or quarterly basis by providing financial statements to tribal members through the tribal paper and any other means necessary.

2. We promise to provide a fair and equitable government! Programs and services will be available to all tribal members regardless of your political affiliation, (i.e. who you voted for!)

3. We promise to establish tribal programs and services that work for you! Quality management is necessary when running any program or service. Quality care and services to tribal members will be priority.

4. We promise to plan for the future! Short and long term goals will be established for the Tribes in the areas of Economic Development, health care, social service issues, education, and other programs that our children and grandchildren will count on.

5. We promise to create a work environment in our tribal offices and casinos that are safe and free from political influence and a place where tribal members feel welcome and at home.

6. We promise to listen to you! We want to hear from our tribal members and include them in the governmental process. You are stakeholders to our tribal government and we will create ways to hear from you, in every community, in state and out of state.

7. We promise to embrace, support, and promote the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal culture, language and history.

8. We promise to lead the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes with the utmost integrity and professionalism in all that we do and will provide each tribal member with the respect and dignity they deserve.

Paid for by the committee to elect Dorsett-Derenzo

Geary Community Nursing Home

An enterprise of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

We have five new residents at the nursing home this month. That brings our census to 12, and we are expecting a few more residents this week.

The theme for September was western days on the 23rd. Matheson Hamilton and his son Edmond entertained the residents with stories and flute music. We had western singers, western poetry, watched western movies and had a cook-out and monthly birthday party where we had stampede steak, cowboy potatoes, buckaroo beans, black skillet corn bread and round up cake.

Wanted posters of the residents and staff were hung in the facility. Residents really enjoyed them. Barbara Hopkins was the birthday of the month.

We also had a food booth at the Geary fair where we raised money for the activity fund. We also entered our van in the Geary parade where the driver and staff dressed like clowns.

The theme for October will be a sock hop. We have many fun activities planned for the residents. The residents will go for a cruise in a 1950s red convertible, a dance party and an ice cream social.

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A hardy band of women warriors

(CINCINNATI, Ohio) - It is hard to imagine an Army veteran like Joyce Leneave of Fairfield bringing her month-old daughter, all wrapped in blankets and sleeping in her mother's lap, to an ordinary American Legion Post.

The typical post is, for the most part, a boys' club. In the canteen, men belly up to the bar, drain a mug of beer, tell war stories while a football game blares on the TV over the bar, punctuated by the clack of billiard balls.

A man's world

But Leneave doesn't have to walk into that world. Thursday night, at the Thank You Foundation's offices in West Chester Township, Leneave could walk into her American Legion Post's monthly meeting carrying her baby, and be instantly surrounded by other women, who ooh-ed and ah-ed over her little one.

She, along with 35 other women veterans from Southwest Ohio and Northern Kentucky, has her own post - a refuge for women veterans called the Greater Cincinnati Women's American Legion Post 644.

It is the only women's post in Ohio.

``We offer something different,'' said Kelly Knox, a veteran of the Army and Air Force who is soon to be the new commander of Post 644. ``Most women don't feel comfortable in most posts. They want to be with other women who have served. And that's what we give them.''

Nearly every American Legion Post has female members, but there is none in this area like Post 644, chartered 63 years ago specifically for women veterans. Of the 36 members of Post 644 today, all but two are women. The two men are husbands of women who belong.

There are 14,000 American Legion posts in the U.S. and abroad, but only four of them are women's posts. There are two in Wisconsin and one on an Oglala Sioux Indian reservation in South Dakota.

Nun started in Navy

There was a time when there were many more women's legion posts. In the days after World War II, when 250,00 women veterans returned to civilian life, the American Legion set up women's posts all over the country. Ten were in Ohio, but Post 644 is the only one that still exists.

It has not been easy for Post 644 to stay alive over the years. It has always been something of a nomadic post, holding its meetings in one location after another, never having an American Legion hall to call its own. The membership has gone up and down over the decades; and, several times, it has nearly gone out of existence.

Post 644 was in serious trouble earlier this year. Membership was dwindling and the leaders of the group, mostly World War II veterans, no longer had the good health or energy to keep things going.

That is when a group of young women, like Knox and Amy Carter, a Navy veteran from Bridgetown who served in the early 1990s, stepped in and made a push for new membership. Knox and Carter - who work at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center, like many members of the post - are taking over the reins of the organization and pumping new life into it.

The matriarch of the group is clearly Sister Marguerite McHugh, a nun of the Sisters of Notre Dame who is stepping down after 12 years as commander of Post 644.

Every woman who walks into a meeting has an interesting back-story to tell, of service from World War II to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. But perhaps none more so than Sister Marguerite, who joined the Navy as a young woman from Kennedy Heights in World War II.

She knew something about firearms, and ended up as a gunnery instructor in Norfolk, Va., teaching Marines how to fire weapons.

``A lot of them had a hard time listening to a woman at first,'' Sister Marguerite said. ``Then, they would go out and lose a few men; and when they came back, they'd pay a bit more attention.''

She became a nun after the war and served in Cincinnati area parishes. About 30 years ago, she became involved in Post 644 and has been one of the core members trying to keep the post alive.

``It's been hard,'' she said. ``We have moved from place to place over the years. We've never had our own home. But, still, we have survived.''

No 'Ladies Auxiliary'

Knox said that perhaps, if they can increase their membership and step up their fund raising, they can have a home of their own someday.

``That would be nice,'' she said. ``It would be like a community center. A place where women veterans can come and be with other women who served.''

In recent months, the American Legion has had a home at the Thank You Foundation, a non-profit organization for veterans that is headquartered in an office park on Cincinnati-Dayton Road in West Chester.

Thursday night was the August meeting. Members began arriving about 15 minutes before the meeting started. One of the first to pull into the lot was one of Post 644's two male members, Lee Berry, an Army veteran from Trenton in Butler County. He came rolling in on his motorcycle, carrying the flags that would be used for the meeting.

A few minutes later, his wife, Tammy, also an Army veteran, drove into the lot in the family van. The Berrys are both motorcyclists; they are in the Patriot Guard Riders, the motorcycle group that serves as an honor guard for military funerals and the homecomings for troops who have been deployed overseas.

Tammy Berry, who works as a nurse in the Cincinnati VA's clinic for Iraq and Afghanistan veterans, said she chose Post 644 because it gives her more of an opportunity to work for veterans - particularly women veterans.

``My whole thing is seeing that every veteran gets the benefits and the respect he or she deserves,'' Tammy Berry said.

She has belonged to traditional posts in the past, and said she never felt comfortable as a woman veteran.

``You go into some posts and they don't really know what to do with you as a woman veteran,'' Tammy Berry said. ``They try to push you into the ladies auxiliary or something. That's an insult to me as a veteran.''

At the VA clinic, she said, she works with many young women who have returned from tours of duty in Iraq and Afghanistan. Unlike the days of her active duty service in the 1980s, the women she sees at the clinic ``have walked right up to the edge of being in combat. There are no front lines in Iraq. Everybody is in combat.''

A few of the young women who served in Iraq and Afghanistan have joined the post, she said, although they weren't at this meeting.

``I know them; and I know they are not going to want to walk into that all-male world of the regular post. These girls have been into some rough stuff and they want to be with people they can talk to and relate to.

``That's why we are here. Women helping women.''

National Indian Education Association releases their 2009 Honor List

(WASHINGTON, D.C.)- The National Indian Education Association (NIEA) will be honoring eight Native American individuals and one school who have had a large impact on the world of education during their 40th annual convention to be held Oct. 22-25, 2009 in Milwaukee, Wis.

Since 1977, the membership association has honored Native American leaders who have changed and improved the lives of their schoolchildren and impacted dialog concerning Native education issues, both locally and nationally.

Cheryl Kulas (Oglala Lakota tribe), retired executive director of Indian Affairs Commission for North Dakota and Angayuqaq Oscar Kawagley (Yupiaq), associate professor of education at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, will be honored with the 2009 NIEA Lifetime Achievement Award.

Elaine Peters (Menominee Indian tribe) and Joseph Medicine Crow (Crow Nation) will be honored as Elder of the Year. Brent (Ponca and Chickasaw) and Kennetha (Otoe Missouria) Greenwood will be honored as Parents of the Year, Dr. Cornel Pewewardy (Comanche Nation) is the Teacher of the Year and Denise M. Juneau (Mandan and Hidatsa tribe) is the Educator of the Year.

Since 2005, NIEA has established the Cultural Freedom Award, and award to recognize schools/institutions/organizations whose extraordinary and courageous work celebrates the right to freedom of Native American language, culture, and educational excellence.

This year, NIEA will recognize the Niigane Ojibwemowin Immersion School of the Bugonaygeshig, in Minnesota, which was founded in 1975.

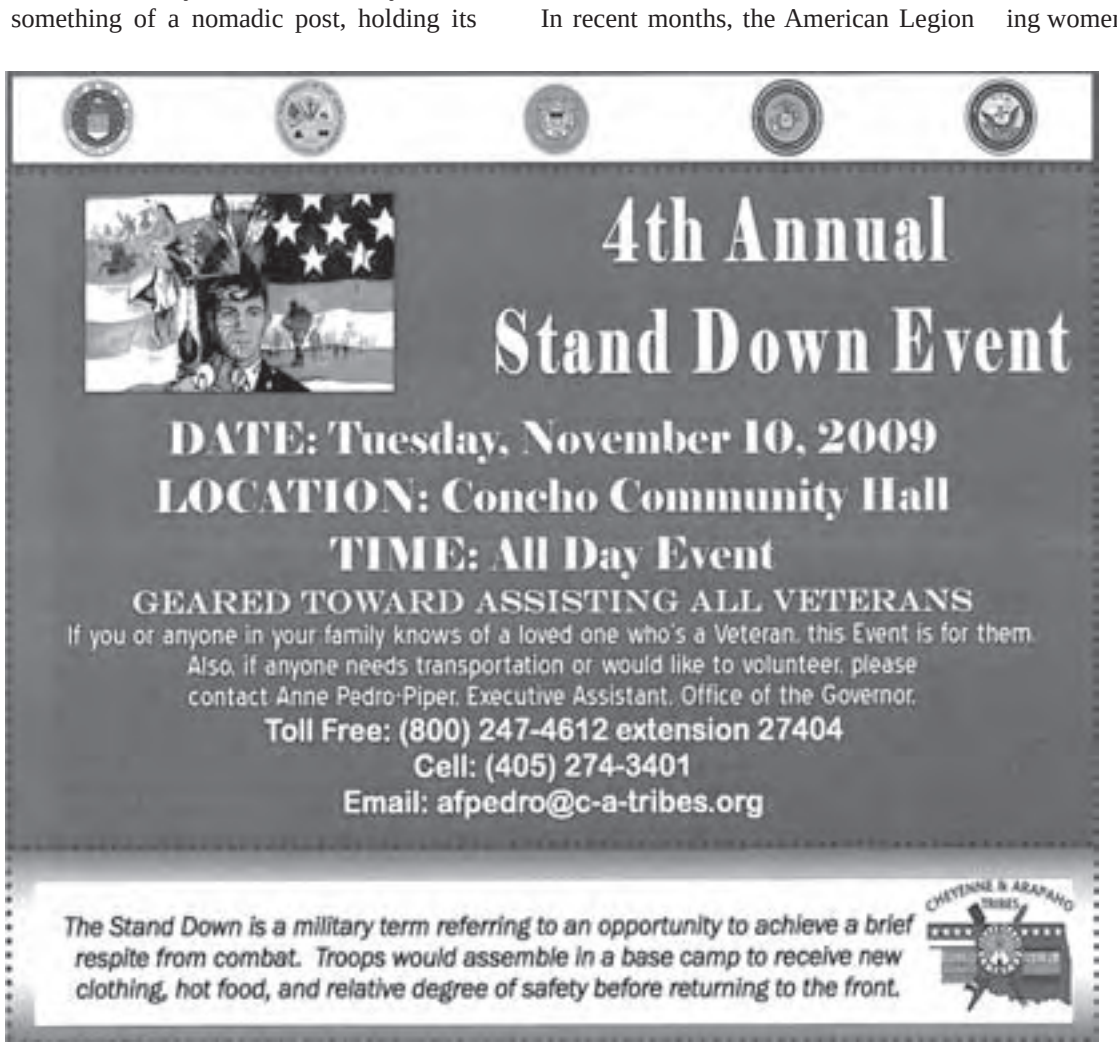
Robert Cook (Oglala Lakota tribe), who is currently the National Indian Education Association's president, said this of the awardees, "Every year, we recognize the importance of leaders who are found in our classrooms, our homes and our communities. This year, has particular importance. The awardees' contributions have demonstrated the encompassing value of what it is to be a leader, celebrated also in NIEA's 40 years of advocacy. They remind us that we must listen to children to improve the future. We must know our communities' needs, recognize our students' strengths, and listen to their answers."

"These remarkable people and this school are true examples of who can see that need and see the hope we have in our Native children, and our belief that students are the foundation on which all successful communities rest. On behalf of NIEA and the board of directors, I praise these awardees for their humble work on behalf of Native students and children."

The NIEA award winners must demonstrate exceptional achievement or performance in providing quality instruction to American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian students.

These individuals and school will be honored at the 2009 NIEA Annual Convention Gala Banquet on Saturday, Oct. 24 in Milwaukee, Wis. at the Midwest Airlines Center with entertainment provided by recording artist Micki Free and awards designed by artist Lorenzo Black Lance.

For more information, or tickets to the gala banquet, visit www.niea.org or call (202) 544-7290.


4th Annual
Stand Down Event
DATE: Tuesday, November 10, 2009
LOCATION: Concho Community Hall
TIME: All Day Event
GEARED TOWARD ASSISTING ALL VETERANS
If you or anyone in your family knows of a loved one who's a Veteran, this Event is for them.
Also, if anyone needs transportation or would like to volunteer, please
contact Anne Pedro-Piper, Executive Assistant, Office of the Governor.
Toll Free: (800) 247-4612 extension 27404
Cell: (405) 274-3401
Email: afpedro@c-a-tribes.org
The Stand Down is a military term referring to an opportunity to achieve a brief respite from combat. Troops would assemble in a base camp to receive new clothing, hot food, and relative degree of safety before returning to the front.

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diana, 1978 Hawaii, 1975 Massachusetts, 1969 Illinois, 1920 Nebraska, 1812 Louisiana.

Crawford said the important thing now is to get people to discuss this issue and get it out from under the radar.

"This is something really important to get a dialogue going about," Crawford said.

Crawford has served as the National Association for Bilingual Education executive director, and has authored several books including: *At War with Diversity: U.S. Language Policy in an Age of Anxiety,* and *Hold Your Tongue: Bilingualism and the Politics of 'English Only.'*

The next Dream Course lecture will be "Why 'Dead Languages' Are Only Sleeping: Language revitalization for endangered languages around the world" at 7 p.m. Oct. 5 at the Sam Noble Museum of Natural History in Norman, Okla.

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voted to withdraw its resolution supporting the legal action. The reasons varied, he said.

Aaron Turning Heart, one of the parents who filed the first lawsuit, said he will contact other parents upset about the dress code.

He said he does not believe it is justified because he has not seen any serious gang violence in the schools.

School officials, though, said the dress code already has helped ease tensions and improved the behavior of students.

``Things are going better,'' said Charles Shupick, president of the public school board. ``The focus is back on education and less on rivalries between gangs.''

Brings Plenty said for some people the dress code is a painful reminder of boarding schools that decades ago punished Indian students for wearing long hair or speaking their native language.

Parents contended they learned of the dress code after buying other school clothes for their children and that they could not afford to buy others.

Eagle Butte is on the border of two counties that make up the reservation. More than half of Ziebach County and 38 percent of Dewey County lived in poverty in 2005, according to the most recent figures from the U.S. Census Bureau.

The school is in Eagle Butte, the tribal headquarters on a pov

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy 1st Birthday to our Little Princess, Aeryn Dreyln Main. We love you very much, Mama, Dada, grandma Debbie, aunties, uncles and all your cousins!

Happy Birthday Great-Grandpa aka grandpa aka dad Oct. 4-You are the rock that holds our family together and we love you very much!

Happy 4th Birthday Arionna-Oct. 4 We love you dearly little girl! Love your family

Happy 13th Birthday Jared "J-Dub" Cable-Racelis Love you always, Racelis, Howling Buffalo, Fox families, and auntie too~

Happy 4th Birthday "Spiderman" Jeffrey Alan Whiteshirt We Love you Bunches, mommy, daddy, Jeremy, Jorrian, grandmas, grandpas and ALL your family!

Happy Belated Birthday Jeordin Reyes! Love you always, mom, (fake) dad, Sage, Chaz, Nana, all your aunts, uncles, and cousins!

Happy 4th Birthday Jalen Thomas-Oct. 12 You are the shining star in all our lives-Love all your family

Happy 1st Birthday Marley Jade Gamboa We love you very much! Mommy, Daddy and the rest of your family!

Happy Belated 12th Birthday Grandson Phillip Lone Elk-Sept. 19 You're my best football player. Stay strong and focused! Love always, your grandma Carolyn, grandpa Billy, sisters Jessica, Frankie, Eva and your mom Phyl!

Happy Belated 30-Something Birthday Baby Girl! Phyllis Lone Elk-Sept. 25 Stay strong, keep moving on and we all love you. Love, mom, Billy, Jessica, Frankie, Eva and Phillip

Happy 17th Birthday Veronica, Love all your Family!

Happy 1st Birthday Halo Whiteman Love grandpa Bruce, Tina, Evan, Sofia and all the family

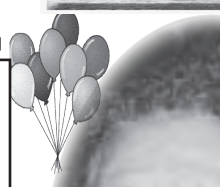
Happy Birthday to my son Diego Sebastian Limpy 5 years old – Oct. 23 My love for you is as deep as the ocean and I still see your smile when I close my eyes at night. I miss you and I will be home to hold you tight someday. Love Dad (Sonny "Dreamer" Limpy)

Congratulations to Geep and Punkin on the new boy. He finally got here! Much love for the new one, we are all blessed to have him here. Your mom & Gran-ma

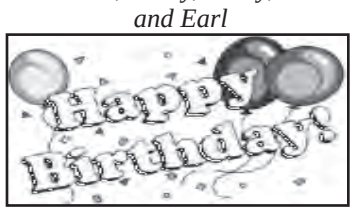
Happy 29th Birthday Oct. 22 To Pamela Sue Woolworth May the day be as great as you are. Always a friend Terri Jean

Happy Birthday Macy Limpy (Lil' Sis) Oct. 3 – 21 years old You are beautiful on the inside and out! Thank you for always being by my side Thru all the good and the bad. Dreamer and Diego Limpy

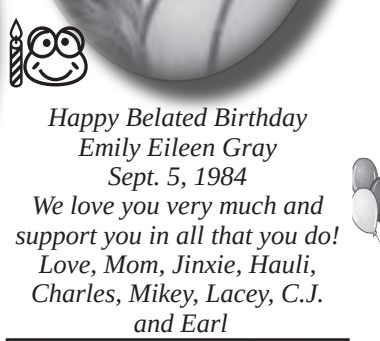
Happy ?? Birthday to My Kiowa Wife, Norma Oct. 10 Love your husband Jimmy Washa



Happy Birthday Mom and Grandma Belah! May God Bless you with a long and healthy life! Love, Carmen, Jinxie, Hauli, Charles, Mikey, Lacey, Emily, C.J. and Earl



Happy Belated Birthday Emily Eileen Gray Sept. 5, 1984 We love you very much and support you in all that you do! Love, Mom, Jinxie, Hauli, Charles, Mikey, Lacey, C.J. and Earl

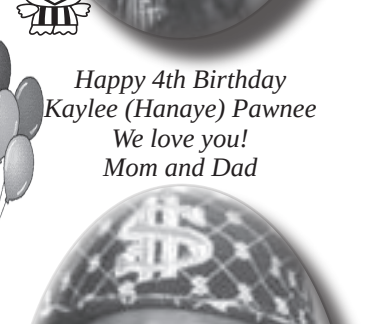


Happy 10th Birthday Jarred Oct. 4 Love, mom and Jazmine

Happy Belated 2nd Birthday Shane Dean Yellow Eagle, II (Baby Shane)-August 28 God Bless You and We Love You, Dad-Shane, Mom-Jaimie, Baby Elizabeth, grandmas Wanda, Imogene and Mary Lou, grandpa Gerald, great grandma Bessie Blackbear, great-grandpa Eugene Blackbear, Sr., and all the Blackbear and Yellow Eagle families, uncles John, Shannon, Matthew, Randall, Phillip, Ray, Fran, Carl Bryce, Adrian, and aunt Avril.

Happy Belated 29th Birthday Shane and Shannon September 2 and going strong! God Bless You and may your wishes come true. All our love, mom and brothers

Happy 6th Birthday JuneBUGz-Jason M. Racelis Jr. Sept. 13 We wish you a happy late birthday. We love you and wish you many more! Have a great year at school! Love, mom, dad, your sister, brothers and rest of your family!



Happy 4th Birthday Kaylee (Hanaye) Pawnee We love you! Mom and Dad

In Memory of

Zach Limpy

Henry Limpy

Morning Star for Janae

I woke this morning to see the morning star, reminding me, my father, that you are really not that far. My brother standing near you, as you gaze on us this day, you are our guardian angel, to look after my children's play. Each day I try to speak to you, to let you know we cared. Each day I see the morning star, it shines and \shows our love is always declared. The spirit of our families love is there for all to see, just look at the morning star God has sent it just for me.

We're feeling lost and empty without them, I used to be my daddy's girl, this I know was true.

We all dread this time of the year, we miss them every day. Our lives would be so much better if our dad and brother was here with us. There's not a day that goes by that we don't think about them and miss them.

We pray that Maheo will bring us together again some day, but until that day, dad and Zach just continue to watch over us and our kids. We know that you are here with us, taking care of us and watching over us.

Memories of the both of you is what keeps us going. Zach continue to take care of dad.

We all miss you and love you always

Janae M. Limpy, Brian and Beverly Limpy and all the kids

Welcome Baby Elizabeth Rae Yellow Eagle

Elizabeth Rae Yellow Eagle was born on Aug. 6, 2009 at Integris Hospital in Yukon, Okla.

Proud parents are Shane and Jaimie Yellow Eagle.

She weighed 8 lbs. and 1 oz. Elizabeth has one brother, Shane Dean Yellow Eagle, II, 2 years old.

Welcome beautiful baby Elizabeth from grandmas Wanda, Imogene, Mary Lou and grandpa Gerald. Also, great grandma Bessie Blackbear and great-grandpa Eugene Blackbear, Sr.

We love you and God Bless You.

Can you guess who these "Summer Babes" are?
Guess the date this picture was taken?
Guess who our supervisors were?
Where is this picture taken?
Win a prize - 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
Time Limit-One Month
Call (405) 923-7339, (405) 664-0415 or (405) 323-1024 to enter your answers!

Thank you

Thank you to the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes Culture and Heritage Program

I am writing this letter just to say ah ho for all your help and dedication in supporting our ceremonies and help offsetting some of the cost involved with them.

I cannot come to Oklahoma and thank each every one of you as I live in Oregon. I just wanted you all to know how appreciated you are and I am very thankful for all your hard work during these times.

Ah ho
Glenn Pedro
Scappoose, OR

Happy Birthday
Nathan Little Hawka
Oct. 11

Thanks for being such a good son, brother and uncle. May the Great Spirit bless you with many more years to come! Oh yeah, you can keep the snow! Aye!

We miss you and love ya bunches,
Rae'kel, Darla and Mom

Happy 40th Birthday Lillie Franklin-Wahoo! Welcome to the "PRIME" of your life! Thank you for all the things you do for others. May the Lord bless you 10 times more. God bless you on your special day and then some! Love ya, Rae'kel, Darla and yo aunt

Employment Opportunities

Submit tribal application, resume, diploma, transcripts, valid Oklahoma state driver's license, and CDIB to: Personnel Department P.O. Box 38 Concho, OK 73022 or e-mail: awhite@c-a-tribes.org

Indian Child Welfare Program Coordinator

QUALIFICATIONS:

Masters degree in social work or related field preferred or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Must have the ability to work with high number of clients. Requires two years of professional related experience. Ability to work flexible hours and willing to work other than normal working hours. Must have knowledge of crisis theory, interventions and understand the program's goals, objectives and regulations. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality. OSBI and criminal background checks required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must possess a current Oklahoma driver's license. Prefer knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho/Native American cultures and values. Ability to work with difficult clientele. Must pass pre-hire drug screen. Cheyenne and Arapaho Preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Office Clerk Tribal Enrollment Office

QUALIFICATIONS:

High school diploma or GED required. Prefer experience in general office procedures, filing, typing, data entry, answering telephone and working with the public. Knowledge of program policies and regulations a plus. Ability to relate and work with the Indian and non-Indian communities. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

NOTICE

The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal offices will be closed on Monday, Oct. 12, 2009 in observance of Sovereignty Day.

TRIBAL TRIBUNE DEADLINES

At **5 p.m.** on the **8th** and **23rd** of each month

Students Interested in Attending Boarding School

Chickasaw Children's Village, formerly called Carter Seminar is now accepting applications for immediate openings.

Students attend Kingston Public Schools and live in group homes in a rural area.

The cottages are located atop rolling hills overlooking Lake Texoma. Eight students per cottage with two cottage house parents.

The admission application can be copied from the Web site www.chickasaw.net or contact Sallie Wallace at Sallie.Wallace@chickasaw.net or by calling (580) 564-3060.

Legislative office is seeking information

Submitted article

The Cheyenne District One legislative office is seeking information on our tribal members who are incarcerated.

In the efforts to communicate with and obtain the needs of these tribal members we are needing their names and their addresses. If anyone has a relative or friend who is incarcerated, and have the needed information, please contact our office at any of the following numbers: Denise at (405) 422-7777 or Lindsey at (405) 422-7755 or you can mail the C-1 District Office at PO Box 38 Concho OK 73022.

The 2010 PPIA Junior Summer Institute at Princeton University

The Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs announces the 2010 PPIA Junior Summer Institute will be held from June 10 to July 30, 2010 at Princeton University.

The application deadline is Nov. 1, 2009.

For more information, visit the following Web site: http://wws.princ eton.edu/jsi/ or www.ppiaprogram.org/app/.

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erty-stricken American Indian reservation that covers a large area of prairie in north central South Dakota. The nearest discount store, such as Wal-Mart or Kmart, is about 90 miles away in the state capital of Pierre. Commercial centers in Rapid City and Bismarck are more than twice as far.

The lawsuit argued that the dress code violated student's constitutional rights to free expression and federal regulations that require such schools to consult with tribes and parents of Indian children in developing programs and policies.

In written arguments filed the school district said it is entitled to restrict some expression because government has a substantial interest in making schools safer.

The school district also gave the tribe and parents a chance to comment about the dress code before the combined school boards approved it, Assistant U.S. Attorney Cheryl Schrempp DuPris wrote for the school district. A public forum was held in April, the school boards passed the dress code in June and newspaper articles in July explained the new policy, she said.

ATTENTION ELDERS!

Submitted article

All Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal elders over the age of 55 years old will be receiving a $100 Visa card in the mail. These cards are being mailed out on Friday Sept. 25, 2009. All cards will be mailed to the same mailing address used by the Per Capita Office.

These cards are to supplement your grocery purchases.

If you do not receive your card in the mail, you must wait until Oct. 26, 2009 before reporting it to the Elder Care Office in person. Elder Care personnel will receive inquiries about the Visa Cards only on Monday and Tuesday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon.

Monday and Tuesday afternoons are being reserved for processing regular Elder Care applications. Starting Wednesday, office hours will be back to processing regular Elder Care applications.

Employee Wellness "Flu Shots"

Time: 9 a.m. - noon
Date: Oct. 2, 2009
Location: C&A Department of Education (CATI)

Time: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Date: Oct. 6, 2009
Location: Lucky Star Casino, Concho (Break Room-Must be employed with Lucky Star Casino)

Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Date: Oct. 15, 2009
Location: Lucky Star Casino, Clinton (Conference Rm - Employee's need CDIB to receive vaccine.)

For information contact Patricia Yarholar at (405) 422-7676 or Niki Baker at (405) 262-0382

Higher Education Program

- Attention potential Higher Education applicants who have not received funding yet…
  - **October 9, 2009** is the absolute **LAST DAY** to submit all paperwork in order to be considered for educational assistance through the Higher Education Program!!
- Attention all **Freshmen** Higher Education Grant Recipients…
  - **October 9, 2009** is the also the due date of 1st midterm Progress Report
  - Students **will not** be funded without progress reports
  - Progress reports can be found on the tribal website @ www.c-a-tribes.org/higher-education
- Attention Spring 2010 Only Applicants..
  - The deadline to apply for Spring 2010 semester is November 1st, 2009
  - This does not apply to students who met the June 1st deadline for Fall 2009 semester, as their applications include Spring 2010 semester
- Contact Jerrolyn Doyebi or Cheryl Pollock if you have any questions/concerns @ 405-422-7653 or email us at heducation@c-a-tribes.org.

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by Oklahoma Gov. Brad Henry to serve on the AICCM board.

"We're really happy," Hart said of Mann's appointment. Her first meeting will be in October.

In addition, Lawrence Hart and Connie Yellowman, both Cheyenne, are members of the AICCM working group helping with the design process.

A ground blessing ceremony for the AICCM was held in November 2005, and all of the tribes in Oklahoma participated in the events. The old site was an oil field. In the early phase of the project workers had to clean up and recap wells, and they even found undocumented wells. It was a mess and a spaghetti bowl of pipe, Hart said.

The museum concept is something that has been around for a while and some efforts were made with Iola Hayden, former executive director of Oklahomans for Indian Opportunity (OIO), Hart said.

"This has always been a group idea. There's always been an idea to have an American Indian Cultural Center," Hart said.

In 1994 the Oklahoma State Legislature created the Native American Cultural and Educational Authority, and it was their responsibility to oversee the design of the AICCM.

In 1999 a state bond issue helped advance the design of the AICCM. To date over four million in donations has been made from tribes. With the current construction phase, all the steel, they're working with 27 million dollars, Hart said.

As of March 17, 2009 the total amount of funds rased are 82.9 million, according to the center's Web site www.aiccm.org.

Currently there are 12 people on the AICCM staff and once the center opens they may have 64 positions total at the center.

In the mean time, AICCM staff continues to open new doors.

"This year we partnered with the National Museum of the American Indian in hosting a 'How to Build a Cultural Center and Museum' workshop and have established positive new peer institutional relationships that have been extremely beneficial to the American Indian Cultural Center as an institution in its young life," Timberman stated. "The future is exhilarating and filled with anticipation as we continue to build and develop a world class living center for cultural expression promoting awareness and understanding for all people regarding Oklahoma American Indian cultures and heritage."

Engagement Announcement

Luay Shayya and Sara Shadaram

Cynthia Donna and Victor Allen Riggs are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Sara Roya Shadaram to Luay Shayya.

Shadaram's grandparents are the late Evelyn and Lyle Redbird of Hammon Okla. She is a descendent of Chief Red Moon.

Shayya's mother is Najwa Raouva of Tulsa, Okla.

Shadaram's maids of honor will be her sisters Sierra and Laila Shadaram. Shayya's best man will be his brother.

Both Shadaram and Shayya are second-year medical students at the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center.

Shadaram and Shayya are to be married on March 13, 2010 at the Hope Unitarian Church in Tulsa, Okla. A reception will follow at the Elks Lodge with a DJ, dinner and drinks. A second ceremony will be held in western Oklahoma on March 20, 2010 with a traditional Cheyenne wedding.

The couple will remain in Oklahoma City until they receive their degrees. They will complete their residencies in Tulsa.

Shadaram received an IHS scholarship and has received a National Indian Education Scholarship. Along with other scholarships, she also received a Cheyenne and Arapaho Gaming-Higher Education scholarship.

The Life of Edmond Wayne Youngbull

Edmond Wayne Youngbull, 55, of Elk City, Okla. died on Sept. 7, 2009. He was born on March 25, 1954 in Clinton, Okla. to John Tyler and Lucille Youngbull.

As a member of the Church Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Youngbull went on the Indian Placement Program at the ages of 12 and 13 in Eager, Ariz.

Youngbull attended elementary school in Enid and Elk City, junior high in El Reno and high school at Fort Sill Indian School in Lawton, Okla. He received his GED in Elk City. Youngbull continued his education at Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI) in Albuquerque, N.M. where he studied offset lithography. While at SIPI Youngbull began to sing with the Morning Star drum group. As a young adult he joined the Star Hawk Society and began gourd dancing. He moved to California in 1972 and while there he began war dancing in the bay area.

In 2007 Youngbull completed his fourth year at the Hammon Sun Dance ceremonies.

Youngbull worked for the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' home improvement program and the housing authority. He was a firefighter for the tribes with the Black Kettle Fire Crew and had experience as a roofer and carpenter.

His greatest concern was always his family and especially the grandchildren. Youngbull was preceded in death by his parents.

His children are Arwen Sue Youngbull of Winnemucca, Nev., Cory Youngbull of Stillwater, Okla., Amber Youngbull of Shiprock, N.M., Cody Youngbull of Elk City, Okla., Brandon Escalante-Youngbull, of Yuma, Ariz. and a stepson, Brandon Standingwater also of Elk City.

Survivors include two brothers, John Tyler Youngbull Jr.of El Reno, Randy Youngbull of Geary, and five sisters Katherine Youngbull of Raleigh, N.C., Mary Youngbull of El Reno, Jonni Sue Youngbull, Oklahoma City, Donna Curley of Wichita, Kan, Laura Lee Youngbull of Fort Sumner, N.M. and an aunt, Katherine Youngbull Hoffman of Pawnee, Okla. He had many cousins, nieces, and nephews, who considered him the best uncle. Youngbull will always be remembered by his favorite saying, "Let's rock and roll."

The Youngbull family would like to thank all the people who helped and assisted in the loss of Edmond. All prayers that were offered up to the heavenly Father were very much appreicated.

We especially want to thank the Sundance priests and singers that assisted in the burial and being a friend to him in his lifetime.

Prayer

Submitted article

Pray for Sherry Serene Seger

Sherry was in a car accident Sept. 20, 2009. We ask that you keep her in your prayers. She's in the OU Medical Center in Oklahoma City. It's going to be a long road to recovery for her but with your prayers and blessings she well be home soon! She is loved by many many family and friends. We just want to ask everyone to keep her in their prayers. She can use all the prayers she can get! Thanks everyone for stopping by and visiting with her!

Prayer for Sherry - For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, come home soon, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy. Amen

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